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COMMENT OF THE DAY

Middle Muddle

The unexpected Arab concord in the General Assembly, cause at the time for so much mutual admiration, has vanished now so completely that it is almost an effort to think back and try to recall what we had at the time to congratulate ourselves upon. Tweedledum and Tweedledee have every intention of continuing their battle as soon as they get their breath back, and there does not appear to be anywhere on the horizon that "monstrous crow . . . who frightened both those heroes so they soon forgot their quarrel."

It is true that the West is armed with sufficient atomic might to make the earth an uncomfortable place for us all . . . but it is also true that we are considerably more scared of using this might than the Arabs (or possibly the Russians and Chinese for that matter) are that we will use it on them.

In the case of the Arabs they can be pretty certain that the traditional instability of their traditionally unstable people and place is not going to spark an atomic holocaust. And on our side, we can be equally certain that even if it did, atomic bombs would not make the area any more stable.

Nothing New

THE United Nations, gathered in general assembly, gratefully left the untidy pieces of the Middle East jigsaw to Mr Hammarskjold and their delegations either hurried home to receive applause and make speeches before the mirage of Arabian concord dissolved before the eyes of the world, or else busied their heads about other things.

The honest ones may have congratulated themselves simply upon weathering a committee meeting somewhat less exhausting than it might have been had tempers been warmer. But for permanent effect the United Nations obviously then, and far more obviously now, had nothing new (perhaps nothing at all) to offer for the stability of the Middle East.

A Proof

AFFAIRS in the Middle East are once more a proof, if one is needed, that atomic armament is no substitute for traditional arms. U.S. Marines and British Guards and paratroops . . . in each case the best of their national forces . . . are the men who must bear the burden in this and all other likely situations where "the peace" must be maintained. And even should a full scale war engulf the world, it is by no means certain that the first atomic holocaust would wipe man from the earth.

When long range missles first and then the smaller tactical ones have all been fired, it will still require an organised remnant of man to mop up what remains of his enemy and to rebuild what he can from the havoc his ingenuity has created. Come what may . . . the well trained infantry soldier is more necessary now than ever. It would be a good thing if the United Nations organisation was equipped with them.

'Cromwells' To Strike Back At Eoka

Nicosia, Sept. 9.

Leaflets in English signed "Cromwell" circulated in Nicosia tonight announcing the creation of an organisation of Britons pledging to "strike back at Eoka."

In the leaflet "Cromwell," purporting to represent the head of the organisation, declared:

"If any more Britons are murdered, my 'iron men' will strike back hard and mercilessly."

Well over 100 Britons have died in the wave of violence sweeping Cyprus since Eoka, the Greek Cypriot Terrorist organisation, started operations in 1953.

Hundreds of Greek Cypriots and many Turks have also been killed.

A Turkish underground organisation, T.M.T., pledged to hit back at Eoka, has been proscribed by the Cyprus authorities.

The leaflet, on foolscap sheet, was typewritten in capital letters throughout.

At the top there was the imprint of a sword, underneath which was the heading: "To all Britons. Take heed — we must remove this bauble."

Murdering

(This was a quotation from Oliver Cromwell who said, dismissing Parliament in 1653, "what shall we do with this bauble? Take it away." He was referring to the mace, symbol of authority).

The leaflet said: "Eoka, who for the past few years have been murdering your compatriots by gangster-type attacks, are not what they boast to be—freedom fighters.

"They are lackeys of the very church which for generations battened on to the Russian people and eventually produced the most hideous revolution in history and an anti-god regime which now threatens Christianity.

To Retaliate

The leaflet continued:

"Unless Eoka stop their senseless butchering of the innocent and their intimidation of the people I intend to strike back at the men who guide the assassins blade.

"To help bring these men to their senses you are to:

★ **(A) Write to your MPs expressing your views.**

★ **(B) Buy British only from friendly Cypriots.**

★ **(C) Insist on the expulsion of all Greek-Cypriot brothel keepers from Britain (they cannot have it both ways, if they are not British then they are aliens).**

★ **(D) Be on the alert at all times—armed and ready.**

★ **(E) Protect the innocent and destroy the guilty.**

★ **(F) Ask your Government to introduce military courts or remove the right of admitted gunmen to appeal against the death penalty.**

★ **(G) Withdraw grants from the U.K. Government to the island's economy."**

Men Of Iron

The leaflet went on: "I can wait a little longer but my patience is running out. If any more Britons are murdered my men of iron will strike back hard and mercilessly — not at Cypriot Greek villages but (here the leaflet named three well known Greek Cypriots) who by their greed for power have reduced this island to the level of postwar Greece.

There was no immediate indication of the origin of the leaflet.

Greek Cypriots found copies in the streets of Nicosia and muttered, "This is a British terrorist movement."

A government spokesman said tonight that he had "no comment at all" to make on the Cromwell leaflet.—Reuter.

THE BLACK KNIGHT

1,500 MILES UP NEXT YEAR

London, Sept. 9.

Mr Aubrey Jones, British Minister of Supply said today that Britain hoped to send a two-stage rocket up to a height of 1,500 miles, and that this might be attained by the end of next year.

Mr Jones, who was accompanied by Mr D. J. Lyons, head of the Ballistic Missile Division of the Royal Aircraft Establishment was speaking at a press conference on the launching of Britain's 35-foot Black Knight rocket.

The Black Knight was successfully tested from the Woomera range in South Australia on Sunday.

Mr Jones said present information indicated that the rocket had reached a height of 300 miles, but he hoped that future Black Knights would go even higher.

The 35-foot Black Knight was built on a "shoestring", Mr Jones said, at a cost of four to five million pounds.—Reuter and U.P.I.

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Stevenson Attacks Ike's Policy

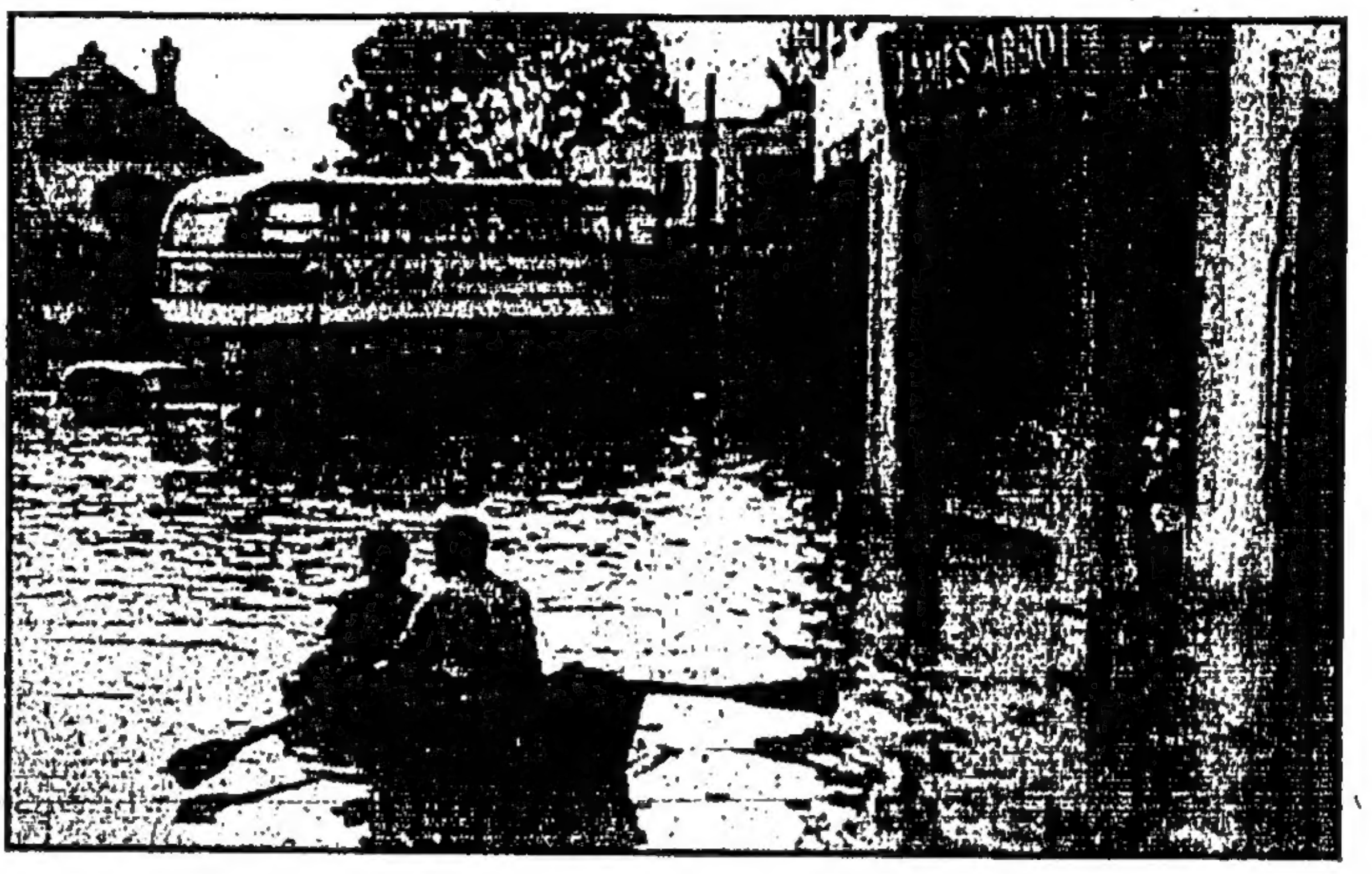
New York, Sept. 9.

Mr Adlai Stevenson, twice unsuccessful Democratic presidential candidate, said today he doubted whether Communist China "will be foolish enough to attempt an invasion of Formosa."

Mr Stevenson, who returned today from a tour of Europe and the Soviet Union, said the Chinese seemed to be willing to negotiate "this time."

He supported the United States' policy of defending Formosa, but described the Eisenhower administration's foreign policy as "clumsy, erratic and self-righteous."—Reuter.

WORST WEATHER CATASTROPHE



KEYSTONE Photo shows two people rowing past a marooned bus and car, in the centre of flooded Wickford, Essex, after the storm which was described as "one of the most spectacular electrical storms of the century."

Total Damage Expected To Come To £3m

London, Sept. 9.

The price tag on Britain's weekend storms is expected to total at least £3,000,000, it was reported today.

Damage in Chelmsford, Essex, alone is estimated at £250,000 after the worst weather catastrophe in 70 years.

British railways are still assessing the cost of feeding and accommodating 3,000 stranded continental train passengers, repairing damage from 21 avalanches, and revenue lost when people followed official advice not to travel.

Farmers, already faced with an extremely difficult harvest, now fear that nothing will be salvaged from crops hit by the storm.

The Post Office has so far repaired 1,000 of 30,000 telephones put out of order in London alone.—China Mail Special.

QUEMOYS SHELLED AGAIN

Taipei, Sept. 10.

Communist artillery bombarded Big and Little Quemoy and the Tatan islands with 4,376 shells before dawn today, the Defence Ministry announced.

This is the third consecutive day of bombardment since the Communists resumed their shelling and the 17th day of artillery pounding of the Quemoys since August 23.

Meanwhile, the newspaper China Post said a state of emergency was declared in the Pescadores Island which the U.S. is pledged by its treaty with Nationalist China to defend.

NINE KILLED

The official information service reported that nine civilians were killed and 31 wounded in Monday's 53,000-shell bombardment of Quemoy, which also killed and wounded 91 soldiers.

Nationalist retaliatory shelling yesterday destroyed two Red gun positions at Amoy and Hochu and started a fire—possibly in an ammunition dump—which lasted more than two hours, the service said.—U.P.I.

A FAR EAST SUMMIT MEET WITH PEKING?

Washington, Sept. 9.

Mr John Foster Dulles' press conference remarks on Formosa today were interpreted as a hint that the United States might agree to top-level talks on the Far East if the Chinese Communists renounced the use of force.

A conference at the summit, or at the foreign ministers' level, has been a long sought goal of the Chinese Communists as one way of injecting themselves as a major power in world affairs.

Three years ago, the United States rejected a proposal for a foreign ministers' conference on the Formosa problem and limited talks with Communist China to the ambassadorial level.

Conditional

The United States also insisted on limiting the substance of the ambassadorial discussions to the questions of a declaration renouncing the use of force and to the release of American citizens detained on the China mainland.

Mr Dulles today was believed to have made a conditional offer to discuss the entire range of Far East problems at the foreign ministers' level.

Authoritative State Department sources were discounting speculation that Mr Dulles was offering to make substantive concessions at the expense of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek if a "no force" declaration was obtained from Peking.

They said that it was incorrect for anyone to believe that the United States would desert its responsibilities to the Chinese Nationalists in return for a pledge that the Chinese Communists would refrain from breaking the peace.

Meanwhile in Warsaw, the Chinese Communist Embassy here has still not contacted the American Embassy on the question of opening talks on the Far East crisis, informed sources said today.—All Agencies.

CHAPLIN: THEY'RE PIRATING MY PICTURES!

CHARLES CHAPLIN
Angry and frustrated.

London, Sept. 9.

CHARLES Chaplin arrived here tonight from Switzerland to take action against certain people who, he claims, are pirating pictures of his and showing them illegally in Britain.

He named the films as "The Kid," "The Pilgrim," and "Shoulder Arms."

At the Savoy Hotel, where he is staying for two or three days, he said: "I am angry and frustrated by the fact that these films are chopped and hacked about.

"I have already taken action in France, Belgium, Holland and Italy, and I reckon the cost to me before I have finished will be $100,000 (£5,000) or more.

"I know these films—silent films, made years' ago—have been shown in this country in recent months. I do not know where and I do not know who is showing them.

"But I am seeing my lawyers tomorrow. If there is court action, I should, if necessary, be ready to give evidence as a witness."

Mr Chaplin, grey-haired and jovial, wearing the tiny ribbon of an officer of the Legion D'Honneur in his lapel, went on: "These films are mutilated. They are not in good condition, and you can hardly see them.

"We have received several letters complaining about them. One was from a man who saw them years ago and took his children to see them again. These films are my property and we intend to stop these misrepresentations."

He said the films were "duped prints" and had been acquired in an illegal way. In Britain, the Roy Export Company—in which he had shares—had all the rights of his films.—Reuter.

GRANTHAM'S VIEWS ON FORMOSA STRAITS TROUBLE

London, Sept, 9.

Sir Alexander Grantham, a former Governor of Hongkong, said in a BBC broadcast tonight that there was not necessarily any connection between the present tension in the offshore islands and Formosa Straits and the heat the Chinese Communists in Peking were putting on Hongkong.

Sir Alexander was answering questions by Richard Harris of the London Times, in the British Broadcasting Corporation feature "At Home and Abroad" on Hongkong's position in relation to the Far East crisis.

Would React

He said the Chinese Communists would react to any situation on the slightest provocation. "They have done it so many times in the past, and will continue to do it again," he said.

Sir Alexander said: "I do not think they are looking over their shoulder at Hongkong so far as any decision on Quemoy is concerned."

In the event of hostilities it was impossible to be precise on what might happen so far as Hongkong was concerned.

It would depend, said Sir Alexander, on what form the hostilities took. "They might drag in Hongkong or they might leave it aside" he added.

Sir Alexander was asked what he thought the future Chinese intentions for the colony were.

He replied that, in 30 years' time, on the expiration of the lease of part of the colony, "China will get Hongkong back on a plate."

Why Then?

Why then, he asked, should they disturb this state of affairs by attacking Hongkong now?

Sir Alexander was asked about Sir John Slessor's suggestion that Hongkong was indefensible and that it should be put under the trusteeship of the United Nations.

He replied: "That idea is about as realistic as the idea of two Chinas. It is complete poppycock, because China would not play."

He said he thought the Communist authorities realised that Hongkong wanted internal peace but that they were not always prepared to admit the fact.—Reuter.

Fishing Dispute

War With Cod And Potatoes!

Off Iceland, Sept. 9.

Icelanders aboard the gunboat Odin pelted British fishermen on the trawler Loch Fleet with dried cod this afternoon.

The trawler, fishing off northwest Iceland, radioed the frigate Russell that she was retaliating "in like manner."

Asked how many "Icelandic wickets had been taken," the Loch Fleet replied: "None as yet, but we are keeping it up."

THE BATTLE

This "Battle of the Cod" followed yesterday's incident in which trawlermen in the Stella Conopus used potatoes and broom handles to repel Icelanders who attempted to board them!

Radio operator Arthur Nettleship told me today that the gunboat Maria Julia closed on the Stella Canopus as she fished off the north coast.

Seven unarmed Icelanders, led by a petty officer and all wearing lifejackets, stood on the deck as the gunboat came alongside.

"We pushed the gunboat off with broom handles," Nettleship said. "The catering staff were well supplied with rather mouldy potatoes.

"The Maria Julia moved off. Later she returned, but was met by another broadside.

TWO HITS

"We let fly with potatoes and scored one or two hits, including one on a camera held by a man aft who seemed to be a pressman."

Britain today signed four conventions on International Sea Law in New York, including one stating the right of nations to exercise fiscal emigration, customs and sanitary controls within a 12-mile limit.

In Copenhagen the Foreign Ministers of the three Scandinavian countries and Finland, and a representative of Iceland, said here today they would unanimously support efforts within the United Nations to solve the Icelandic fishing dispute.—Reuter.

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Egyptian Subs

Algiers, Sept. 9.

Six Soviet-made submarines of the Egyptain Navy are off Cyprus, Admiral Charles Edward Lambe, British Commander-in-Chief of Allied Forces in the Mediterranean told a press conference held here today aboard the frigate Surprise.—Reuter.

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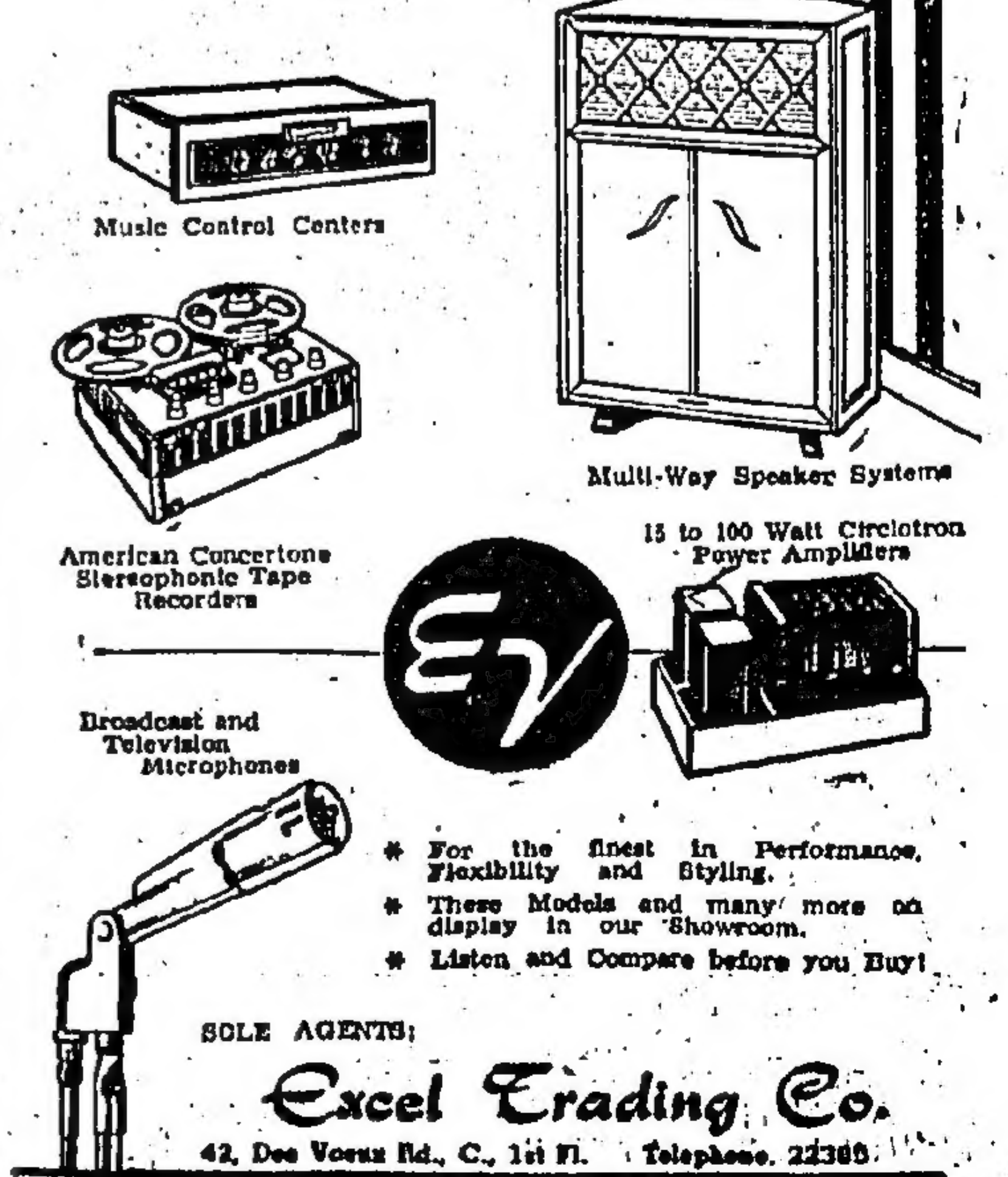
UN Observer

London, Sept. 9.

Bagdad Radio reported tonight that President Nasser had agreed to admit a United Nations observer into Syria to "watch over the alleged threat presented by the United Arab Republic to Jordan as claimed by King Hussein's government."—Reuter.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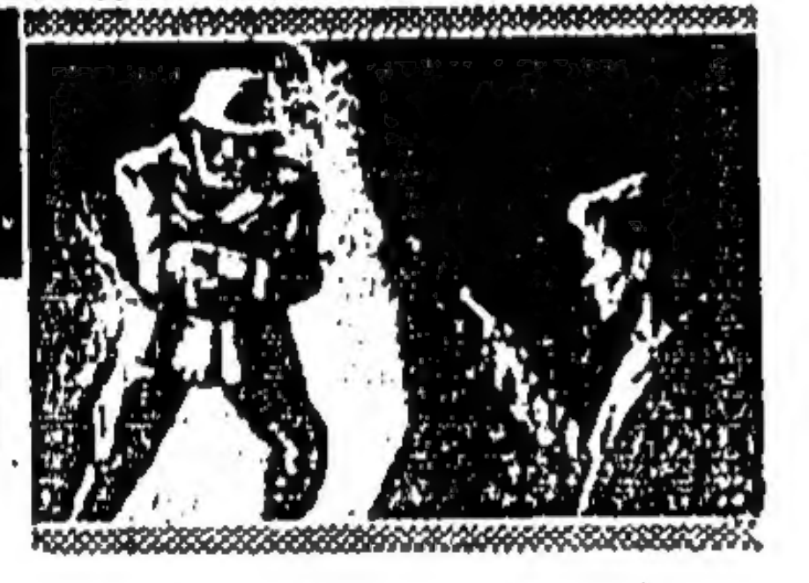

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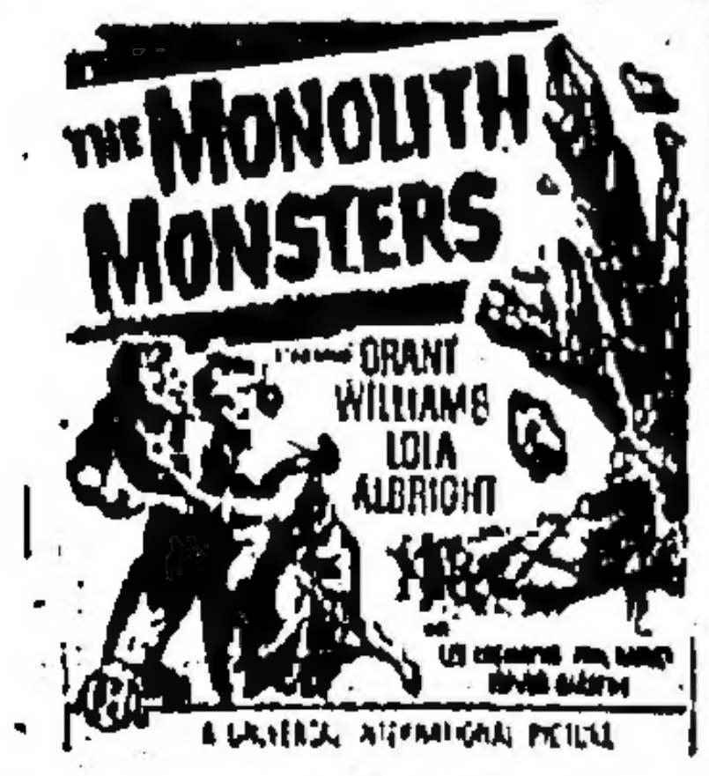

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Right Of All The Queen's Subjects To Enter The Queen's Country

ATTORNEY GENERAL SENDS LETTERS TO LITTLE ROCK

Little Rock, Sept. 9.

The U.S. Attorney General, Mr William Rogers, today sent local officials a plan for maintaining order in case the troubled Central High School is directed to continue integration of whites and negroes when it reopens next Monday. The plan is for a combination of federal and local enforcement of order.

Last year President Eisenhower sent in Federal Paratroopers when racial disorders grew out of hand after negro students attempted to enter the school.

The United States Supreme Court, highest judicial authority in the land is holding a second special hearing on Thursday on whether negro students should be admitted to the new school term.

Rule Of Law

The Attorney General's letters were dated Sept. 7, one day after he had conferred with President Eisenhower at the White House.

They went to Little Rock's city manager, Mr Dean Dauley, and the Little Rock School Board's President, Mr Wayne Upton.

The letter to Mr Dauley confirmed reports that the Justice Department had decided to expand temporarily the staff of the United States Marshall at Little Rock. A U.S. Marshall is independent of local police forces, and enters cases only when Federal Laws are broken.

The letter said the force was however available for conferences on preserving peace in the community, and its expansion should not be construed as "in any way intruding upon the primary responsibility of the state and its subdivisions to maintain peace and order."—Reuter.

IMMIGRATION RESTRICTION A DISASTER

London, Sept. 9.

Lord Mancroft, Minister Without Portfolio and former joint Under-Secretary at the Home Office, said today it would be a disaster if Britain restricted immigration on grounds of race, colour or creed.

While there was no one solution to the problem of racial disorders here, he said at a luncheon given by the Variety Club of Great Britain that the Youth Movement helped a great deal in keeping young men occupied and off the streets.

"The only satisfying thing to come from the disorders has been the almost universal and violent disapproval expressed by all sections of the community," Lord Mancroft said.

There had been some suggestions that the disorders had been reported too vividly in the press, but he did not agree with that.

"You cannot disapprove of something, unless you know of what you are disapproving."

The problem was not new and there was no one solution.

Lord Mancroft went on: "It is no use talking glibly about housing, casual employment and so on. One solution, I am quite certain, is wrong.

"I think it would be a disaster if we too easily, or too rapidly overthrew the fundamental right of any one of Her Majesty's subjects, regardless of race, colour or creed, to come to Her Majesty's country and ask for admittance."

One of the factors contributing to the disturbances was groups of young men hanging about the streets with nothing to do.

"Most of the trouble is due to sheer boredom," he said.—Reuter.

Dulles Confesses "I Said It"

Washington, Sept. 9.

Mr John Foster Dulles, the Secretary of State, confessed today that he was the anonymous "high official" who told a background press conference last week that the United States would use force if necessary to prevent the seizing of Quemoy and Matsu by force.

The background briefing was held at the Summer White House after Mr Dulles had conferred with President Eisenhower at Newport on the Far East crisis.

An official statement issued earlier warned the Communists of the possible consequences of military action but said that the President had not made a decision about United States policy towards the defence of the offshore island groups.

Mr Dulles, replying to a question at his press conference, today observed quietly that he realised that it was not always possible to have a background conference in compliance with the rule that the briefing official must not be identified directly or indirectly.—Reuter.

The Appeal Of Buddhism In The West

Oxford, Sept. 9.

The Rev. George Appleton, formerly Archdeacon of Rangoon, and once a director of public relations for the government of Burma, said here tonight that religious uncertainty in the West was a factor in the successful spread of Buddhism.

Now Vicar of St Botolphs, City of London, he was speaking at the annual conference of modern churchmen on "the Buddhist approach to the West."

"Some of our most incisive Christian thinkers have suggested that the west is living a post-Christian era, in which many people have become disillusioned and are questioning the Christian assumptions of the past," he said.

"As a result, many people in Europe are looking to Buddhism, not only because of its true merits, but because of its appeal to the modern, sceptical, self-sufficient mind, which nevertheless wants something of a religious faith by which to live."—Reuter.

Brockley Moor Seaman Dead

London, Sept. 9.

Detectives will meet the frigate, H.M.S. "Orwell" when she arrives at Plymouth tomorrow with two Indian seamen—one seriously injured and one under guard—who were taken off the 7,308 ton British ship "Brockley Moor" about 300 miles west-south-west of the Lizard tonight.

The police will also meet the "Brockley Moor" when she sails into Plymouth, expected tomorrow night or Thursday morning.

On board are the body of another Indian seaman who died today, and witnesses of incidents which took place on the ship.—France-Presse.

Divorce For Mioko Taka

Hollywood, Sept. 9.

Actress Mioko Taka today sought a divorce from her husband Dale R. Ishimoto, an actor, in a Superior Court suit charging cruelty.

The petition asked alimony and support payments for the couple's two children, Gregory, 13, and Darlene, 11

Miss Taka, who recently played a leading role opposite Marlon Brando in "Sayonara", stated that she and Ishimoto were married in Baltimore, Maryland, on October 23, 1944, and separated last September 2.

Ishimoto serve with the 442nd Nisei Regiment in Italy, during World War II.—U.P.I.

Move In Groups

Paris, Sept. 9.

Regional Army commanders throughout the country got strict new orders today to assure the safety of their troops against Algerian gunmen who so far have shot and killed five French soldiers on the soil of France in the last two weeks.

A Defence Ministry circular "invited" commanders to tell their soldiers to move about the streets in groups, even when they are off duty.—U.P.I.

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Moscow, Sept. 9.

The Soviet Union today recognised the new 12-mile limit proclaimed by People's China for her territorial waters.

A note handed to the Chinese Foreign Ministry in Peking by Soviet Charge d'Affaires S. Antonov said the U.S.S.R. "acknowledges" the Chinese decision and "will respect it fully."—France-Presse.

A Date At The Registry

Wantage, England, Sept. 9.

Eager bride-to-be Gwendoline Arlott, (24) turned up at the Registry office with 40 wedding guests here yesterday and found no sign of her intended groom, Albert Ebsworth.

No, Ebsworth hadn't changed his mind. Miss Arlott had simply turned up for the wedding a month early.

"We made a mistake with the date," she said, blushing, as her 40 guests drank a toast to her, wedding or no wedding.

Ebsworth, seeing that Miss Arlott was that eager for her marriage took out a special license and rescheduled the ceremony for next Tuesday.—U.P.I.

Record Pools Win

London, Sept. 9.

A world record dividend of £212,288 sterling on a Littlewoods "no limit" twopenny treble chance pool was announced today.

It will be shared by a 43-year-old London van salesman, Mr C. Hewett a man from Glasgow, a man from Middlesbrough, and a man from Birmingham.—Reuter.

Riot Scenes Retold In Court

London, Sept. 9.

Eight coloured and two white men were sent for trial here today on charges of unlawfully fighting and making an affray in the Notting Hill area of West London a week ago.

Policemen told Magistrates of seeing a gang of coloured men carrying knives, lumps of wood, choppers, razors and iron bars.

One group shouted to white people standing in doorways and at windows: "Come out and fight."

Other incidents described by the police were: a white man waving a belt at the head of a large crowd of white people shouting: "Let's clear the bastards out."—Reuter.

Cyprus Corporal In Prison Scene

Devizes, Wiltshire, England, Sept. 9.

An infantry Corporal barricaded himself in a barracks arms store for nine and a half hours today and defied the army to re-arrest him.

He fired twice and kept guards at bay, until an army doctor quietly persuaded him to hand over his weapons and come out.

The Corporal, whose name was not revealed, had overstayed his leave from Cyprus.—Reuter.

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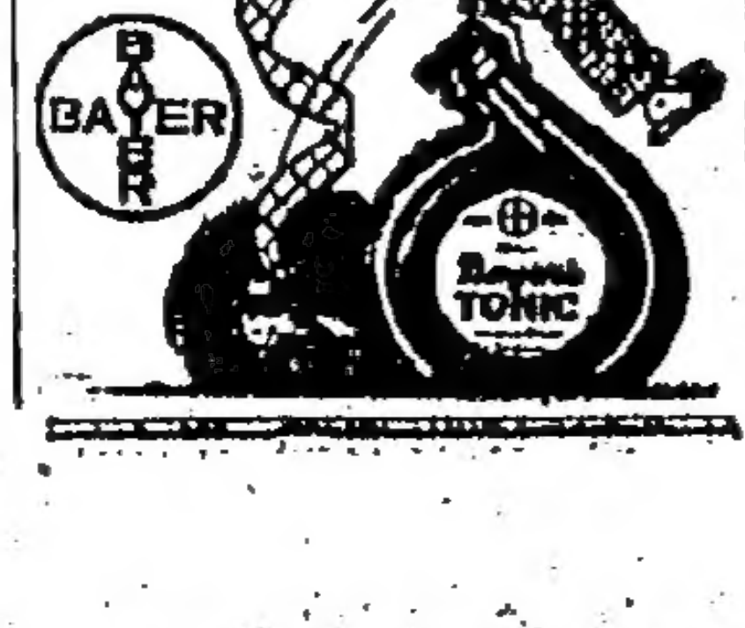

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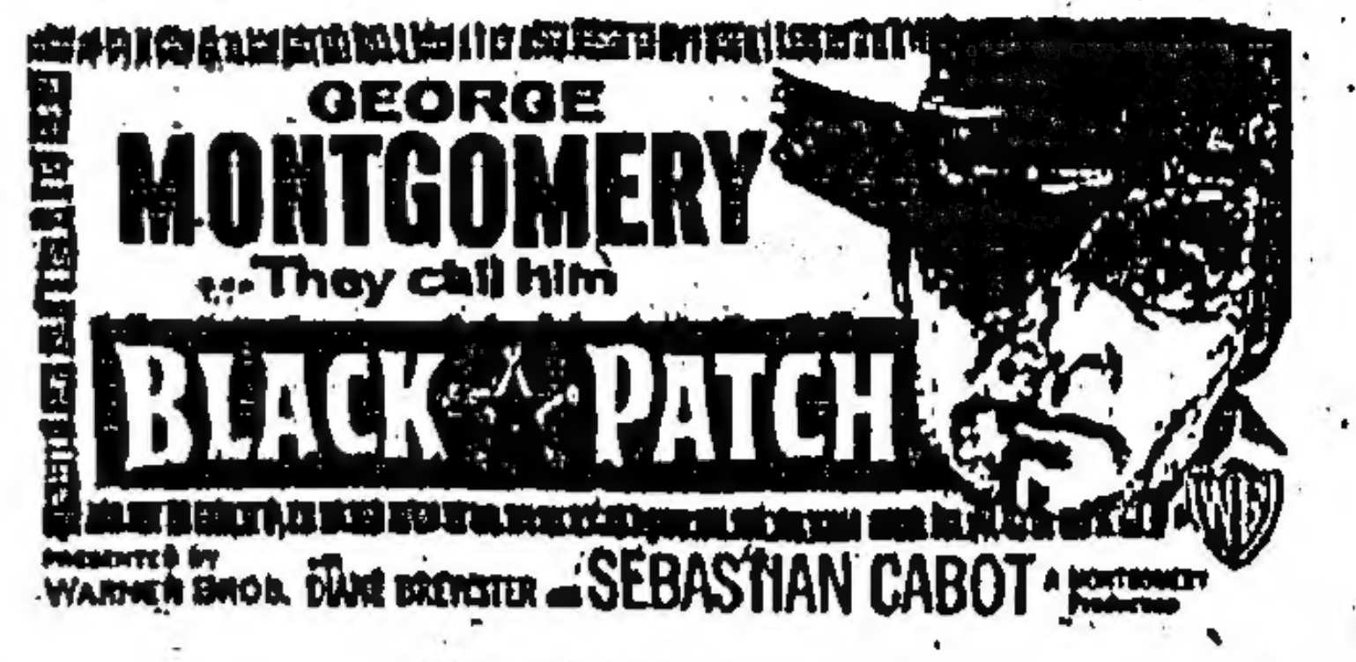

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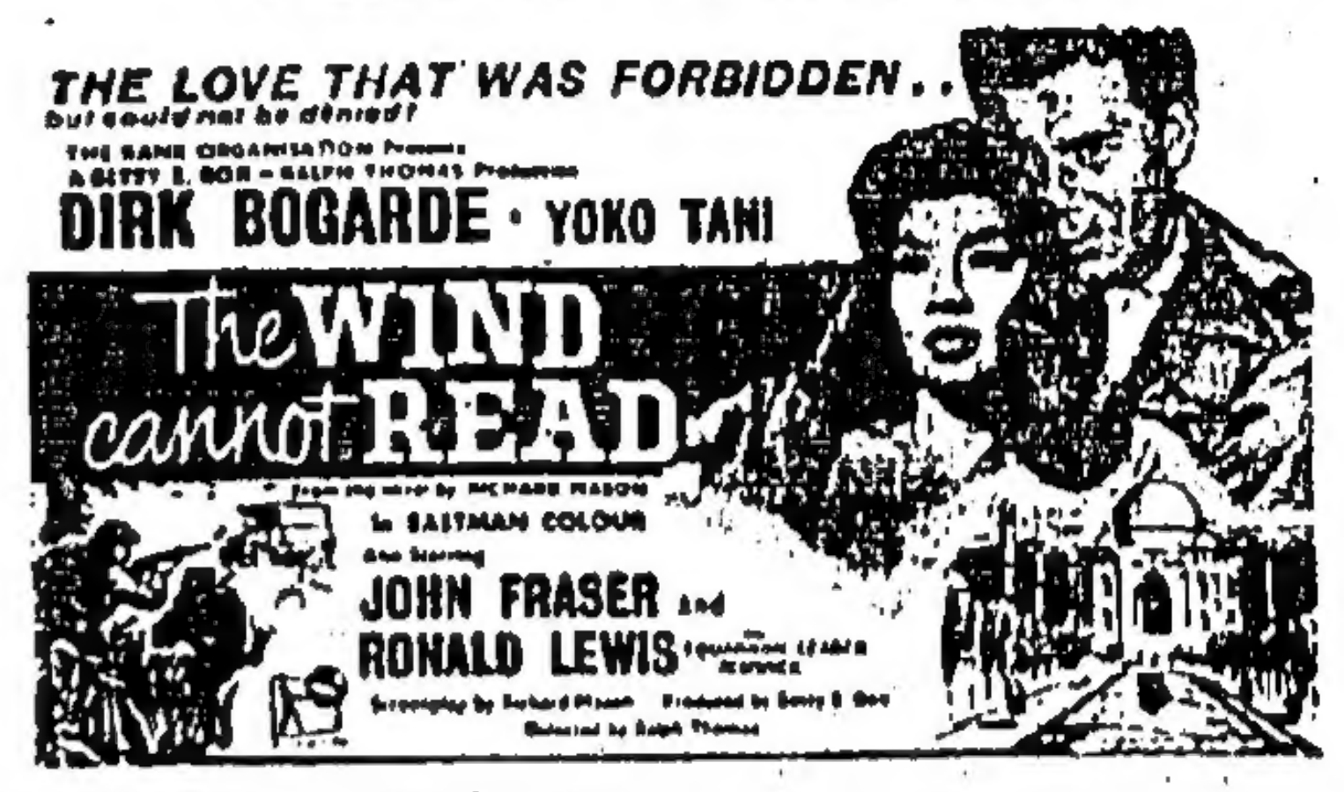
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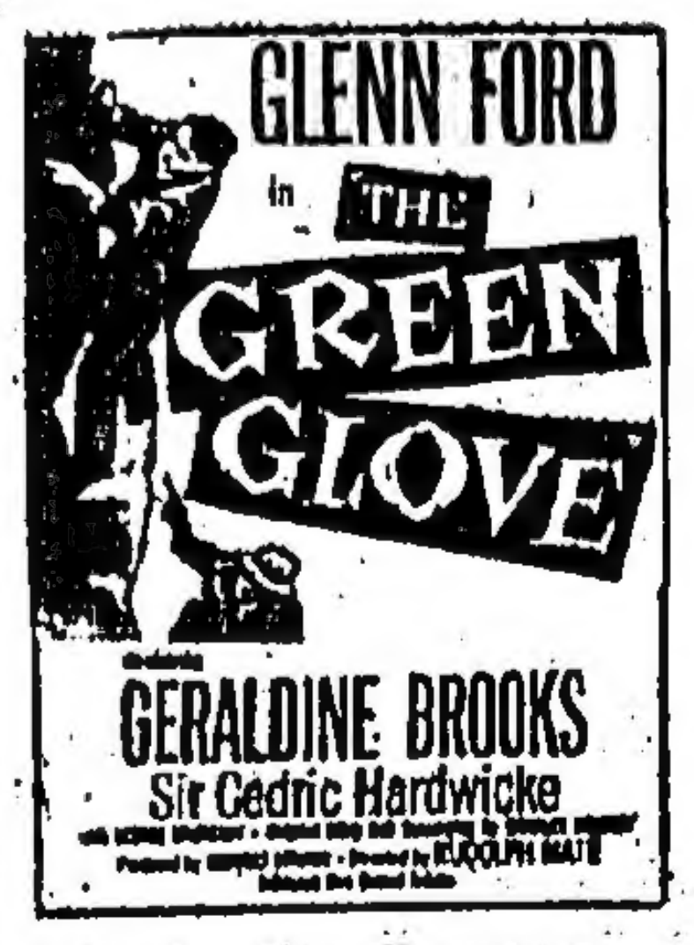

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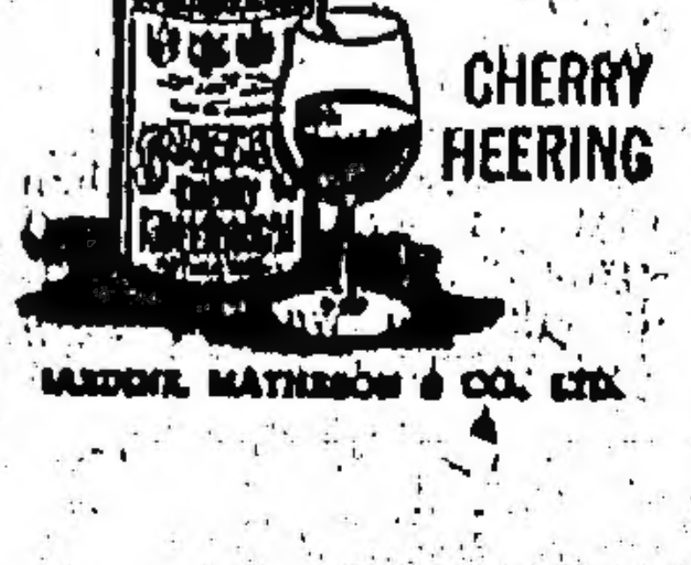
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PEOPLE in the news

A Weekly China Mail Feature

HE KNOCKED RED OFF HIS SOAPBOX AND BROKE HIS JAW

By People Reporter

THE Man on the Soapbox was running down Britain.

Communism, he said, was the thing. Were there any questions?

The Man in the Crowd hadn't any questions. He had an answer.

He knocked the speaker off his soapbox. The speaker's jaw was broken in two places. He couldn't speak. He couldn't work for four weeks.

The Man in the Crowd walked away. He "felt better inside."

£10 FINE

He was an ex-Paratrooper, 22-year-old Arthur Lovell, of High Street, Wickham Market Suffolk.

And at Ipswich he was fined £10 with £3 costs for assaulting the Man on the Soapbox, Mr Joe Bent, ex-Army captain and prospective Communist candidate for Southwark, London.

It happened at the Cornhill, Ipswich. Lovell, who pleaded guilty, told the story in a statement to the police.

"I saw a bunch of people listening to a soapbox speaker. I realised it was a Communist meeting and the speaker was telling people what a good thing Communism is. He was running Britain down and to me it is as great a country as any in the world.

GOOD LADS

"I just lost my temper and went over and struck him on the side of the jaw. Then I walked away and I felt better inside.

"I have known some good lads killed in trouble caused by Communists, and I couldn't stomach what the speaker was saying."

Lovell, now a metal finisher at a Luton car works, served in Germany, Suez and Cyprus. He is going back to the Paratroopers soon.

Trooper's General To Follow Monty

By Richard Berry

IN mid-September, a 62-year-old British General comes out of retirement to take over one of the top military posts of the Western World.

He is tall and bulky **Sir Richard Nelson Gale**, who succeeds Field-Marshal Lord Montgomery in the £5,110-a-year job of Deputy Supreme Allied Commander, Europe.

Sir Richard Gale retired in 1957 after five years as Commander-in-Chief of the Northern Army Group, Allied Land Forces in Europe, and of B.A.O.R. He thought his soldiering days were over and was completely surprised to be appointed Monty's successor.

'FISH OUT OF WATER'

He was also delighted. For Sir Richard out of uniform, was, in the words of his wife, "like a fish out of water."

Born in 1896 and of Australian descent, he has been soldiering since 1915 when he went to the Royal Military Academy, Sandhurst. It is the only profession that he knows.

As a Second Lieutenant in the Worcestershire Regiment, he won the Military Cross during World War I. He became a Captain in 1930, a Major in 1938, a Lt.-Colonel in 1939, and a Brigadier in 1941.

In May, 1943, he was appointed commander of the 6th Airborne Division, which a year later dropped before dawn on D-Day to secure the Normandy beachheads.

He won the D.S.O. by walking into the middle of a Normandy battle to encourage his men. Rifle shots whistled all around him, but he stood his ground yelling his boys on. He wore steel helmets.

In 1945, Sir Richard raised and commanded the 1st Parachute Brigade, being promoted to Major-General the following year. In 1947, he was a Lt.-General; in 1952, a General.

After World War II, Sir Richard became G.O.C. British Troops, Egypt, and Mediterranean Command. From 1949 to 1952 he was Director-General of Military Training at the War Office.

He became Colonel of his old regiment, the Worcestershires, in 1950, and Colonel Commandant of the Parachute Regiment in 1956.

Known to his men as "Windy" Gale, Sir Richard is a "trooper's General," a man who has a gift for winning affection and respect from all ranks.

In Normandy, his men were so afraid that his fine leadership might escape official recognition that they sent a round robin to the War Office, expressing their admiration for his qualities. A little later he was awarded the D.S.O.

Such is the coolness of this soldier that he actually went to sleep on his way to Normandy in a glider. He awoke refreshed and ready for battle.

With his bluff and forthright manner and his great sense of humour, Sir Richard Gale is a European figure, possessing a remarkable knack of establishing the best of international relations.

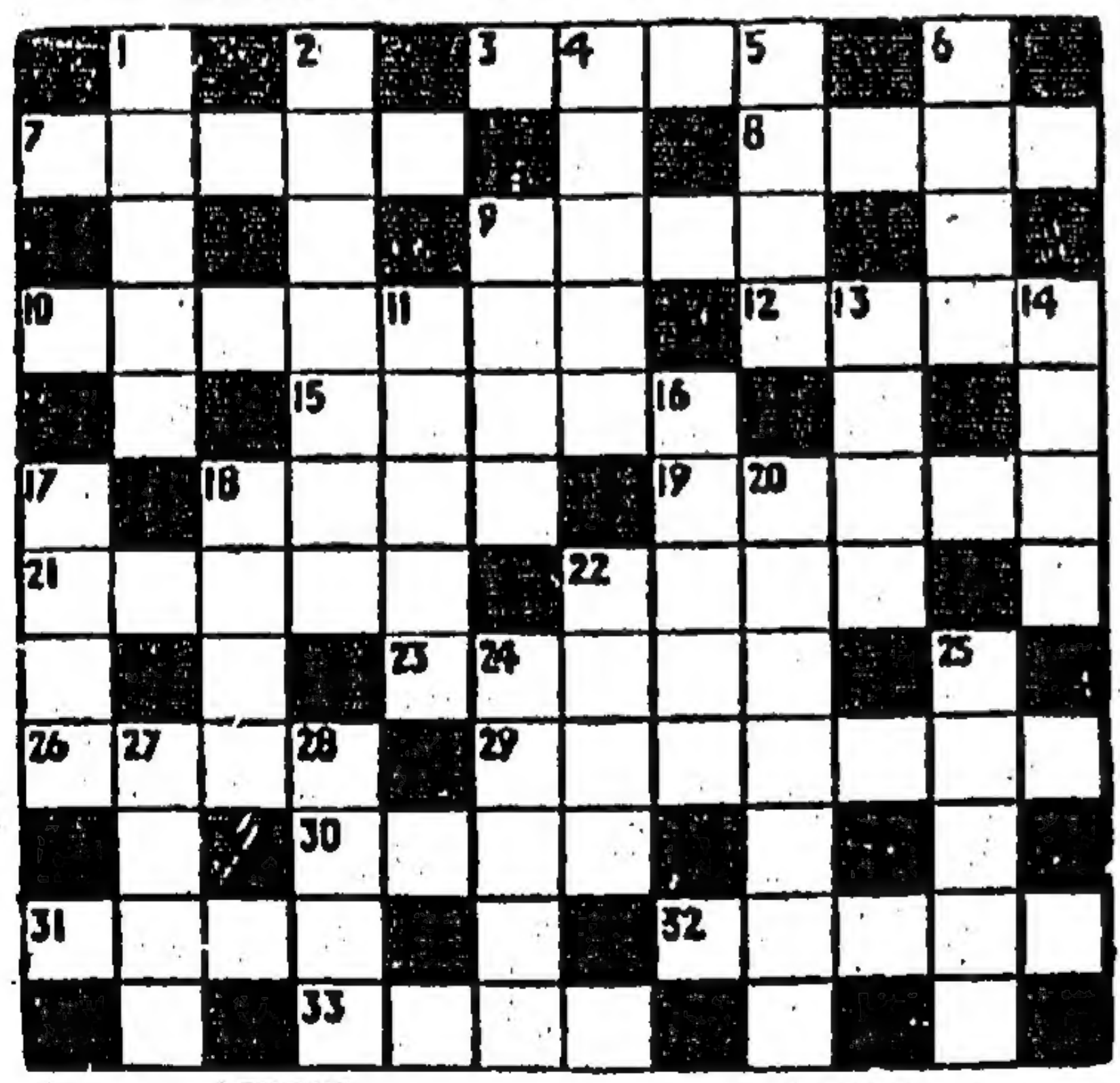
YOUNGER THAN MONTY

His new appointment is hardly surprising, for no man seems better suited to the job. As Commander of the Northern Army Group of N.A.T.O., he became a close friend of the various commanders of national contingents.

And the manner in which he reorganised the British Army of the Rhine showed him to be a man whose ideas have moved with the times an old soldier who has a keen understanding of the needs and make-up of a new atomic-age Army.

Sir Richard is 6ft 3in tall. He is eight years younger than Lord Montgomery and has a small energetic wife to act as hostess at his official Paris residence.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

3 At times, don't we all lie so? (4).
7 Piles out of shape (5).
8 Only demented people run it (4).
9 Used in making beer (4).
10 Go-ahead man? (7).
12 Clever seaman to start with (4).
15 Unlike Ethelred! (5).
16 He finishes off Old Mother Hubbard (4).
19 Pressing accessories (5).
21 Signifies income (5).
22 Assembly of people in the pink, possibly (4).
23 Sinfully confussed lives (5).
26 Looks both ways (4).
29 Labour is, usually (7).
30 Not made by iron bars, we're told (4).
31 It's just a matter of insensibility (4).
32 Keep out (5).
33 Busy buzzers (4).

DOWN

1 Final preliminaries (5).
2 That's where the bawbees go! (7).
4 Hard living? (5).
5 Give us the facts (4).
6 Slave (4).
9 Honey drink (4).
11 Concise (5).
13 Opposite end to the bonnet (4).
14 Ales upset her (4).
16 Produce or product (5).
17 A doctor's name, apparently (4).
18 Bundle from Elba (4).
20 Carries on again with the summaries (7).
23 Deep mud (4).
24 Ailment after five lacking precision (5).
25 Rustic (5).
27 The statuesque Archer (4).
28 Top half of a scabbard (4).

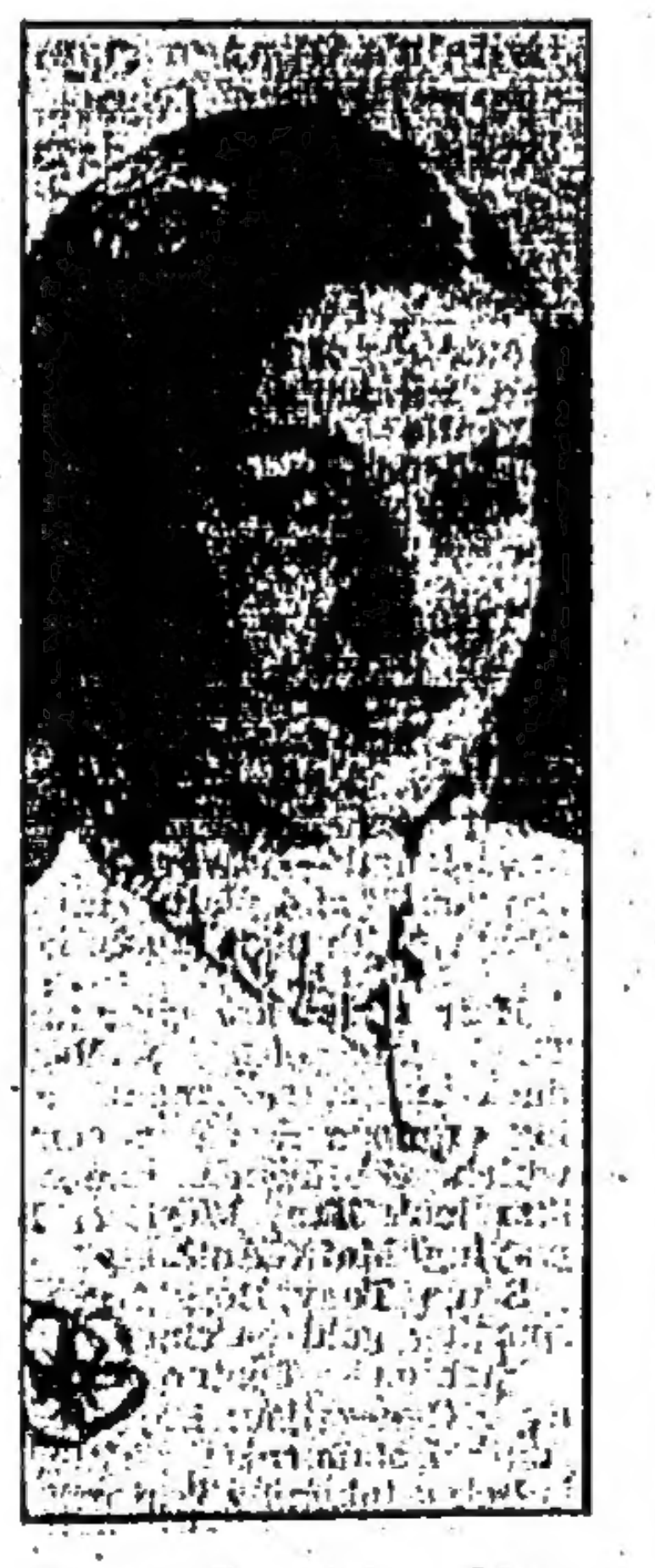
TUESDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 1 Vi-go-ur, 7 Erau, 9 Arnic, 10 Petal, 11 Itch, 13 Permanency, 15 Errs, 16 Thin, 19 Carpenters, 22 Prig, 24 Union, 25 Gross, 26 Sign, 27 Entree. Down: 2 Inner 3 Opera, 4 Ripper, 5 Reticent, 6 Talc, 8 Sa yr, 12 Hosts, 13 Put up, 14 Man-aging, 17 Icing, 18 Sponge, 20 Nigh-T, 21 Erode, 23 Ruin.

Teheran.

One of the main subjects to be decided now that the Shah has returned from his two months' tour of the Far East, the United States and Europe, is the question of his remarriage and the future of the Pahlevi dynasty of Persia.

But the choice will be made only after very thorough medical examinations have established the new bride's physical ability to bear children. For much against his personal inclinations, the 38-year-old Shah, Mohammed Reza Pahlevi, in March this year, divorced his beautiful wife, 25-year-old, ex-Queen Soraya Bakhtiari Esfandiari, whom he married in a fairy-tale atmosphere early in the Gulistan Palace at Teheran —because she was not able to produce a son and heir to the Persian Peacock throne.

—No 1—



Queen Fawzieh, eldest sister of King Farouk.

—No 2—

Queen Soraya, Persian father, German mother.

The divorce decision was taken after years of consideration and following medical consultations and check-ups in Europe and the United States, and on the advice of the Persian elderly statesmen. All medical examinations indicated that Queen Soraya would never bear a child.

With the title of "Princess" and a pension of £1,800 sterling per month approved by the Shah, ex-Queen Soraya is now staying with her German mother and her father, Khalil Esfandiari Bakhtiari, in Germany.

Who For No 3 ?

At the Royal Institute Galleries, Piccadilly, fifteen-year-old Reuben Archer of the Kingston School of Art is seen with his entry in the 11th National Exhibition of Children's Art . . . "The Gardeners" which won him the £300 Art Training Award. Keystone

Love Letters Girl Slaps The Farmer

By STANLEY BONNETT

BACHELOR farmer Tony Phillips sipped a pint of beer the other night in his village pub and said: "At last I can look forward to 14 days of peace." Peace for 27-year-old Mr Phillips was guaranteed when Wokingham magistrates remanded to prison for a medical report a girl who fell "madly in love" with him.

Brunette Angela Bowl, 20, pleaded guilty to assaulting the 16st. farmer and to damaging £10-worth of windows at his home, Wheatlands Manor, Finchampstead.

Mr Phillips talked while she was on her way to Holloway. The sun glinted on his £3,800 Mercedes sports car outside the inn as he said:

"I bear Angela no ill-will, but there has never been anything between us."

Earlier the girl who was educated at a convent school stood demurely in the dock wearing a black woollen dress.

Ten a day

Mr E. Maurice Drake told the court: "This all began in October 1957, when she started writing letters to Mr Phillips.

"Long, rambling letters.... three or four times a week.

"She phoned him every day, sometimes ten times a day, and sometimes half a dozen times in half an hour.

"In one letter this girl wrote that unless he fell in love with her within a given time she would pester him all his life."

A week ago the girl called at his home, and when told to go away started to smash the windows.

Eventually Mr Phillips tried to restrain her. Police were called, but half an hour later the girl returned and struck him across his face.

In peace

"Mr Phillips does not want any compensation," said Mr Drake. "He just wants to be left in peace."

It was then that Miss Bowl, whose address was given as a Ministry of Supply hostel at Grazeley Green, near Reading, called out:

"Where is Mr Phillips? It is rather necessary for him to be here for me to defend myself."

Mr Phillips walked into the tiny courtroom, and Miss Bowl cried: "There he is. A strong man, yet I am accused of assaulting him."

Miss Bowl said her parents were divorced about six years ago. Her father had since married his housekeeper, and she had been "terribly lonely."

"When I left convent school I went to France," she said, "My father told me about Mr Phillips in his letters.

No affair

"Later he introduced me to him, and we all had a drink together. I was just 17, and I fell madly in love with him."

When she found her love was not returned "for months and months I had the idea that my life was not worth living."

She had twice tried to kill herself, and had spent a short period in a mental home.

From London, where she worked as a hotel receptionist, and where she often went "sobbing around the streets," she started to send him letters.

"I wrote to him every week telling him all the time I loved him.

"Once I took a taxi to his house but, like every other time, I was turned away."

Mr Drake said there was no truth in suggestions that there had been an association between the girl and his client.

Any idea of an affair "exists solely in the imagination of this unhappy girl."

Mr Cobbold's Shorts Upset His Neighbours

By People Reporter

LEAN, grey-haired Tom Cobbold often wears only shorts when he repairs cars in his backyard. The other day, neighbours complained.

Said Mr Kenneth Clements: "He does not even put on a shirt when he comes to the front door to greet customers. He often goes right out into the road with only a pair of shorts on.

"My wife, who is home all day, finds it objectionable to see him so scantily dressed."

At a Ministry of Housing inquiry there were objections to 48-year-old Mr Cobbold's appeal against Dartford, Kent council's refusal to allow him to continue his one-man car repair business in Marcet Road, Dartford.

'BETTER BODY'

To the complaints about his shorts Mr Cobbold replied: "Clements and Atkinson (another neighbour) wear shorts in their gardens.

"If it comes to a beauty contest, I am sure I have a better looking body than either of them."

There were also objections that Mr Cobbold made too much noise beating out panels and that smell from his paint spray was offensive.

The Fortune Of Odd-Job Albert

By People Reporter

FIFTY-SIX-YEAR-OLD Albert Bacon thought he was worth a fortune after he checked his pools coupon and found he had a winning line on Littlewood's treble chance. He celebrated.

Bubbling with excitement he told friends and neighbours in Hove, Sussex: "I've got a pool up."

But Albert Bacon, chain-smoking odd-job man, never lived to collect his winnings. *Or to discover that his success would still have left him a poor man.*

He was found dead in his room in Tisbury Road, where he lived alone with his cat, Tibby.

Then Littlewood's announced the dividend for his 22-point line: £5 4s.

Police called

Twenty-one-year-old David Lloyd, who lives with his mother in the flat above, said: "I saw Mr Bacon late on Saturday night. He was very excited and said, 'I'm worth a fortune—I've won the pools.

"Nobody saw him all day Sunday and on Monday we found his door still locked." The police were called.

A neighbour, Mrs Lydia Dowlon, aged 82, said: "Mr Bacon was not in good health I think the excitement was too much for him."

Record Baby

Melbourne.

A baby, which weighed 16 lb. 8 ozs. when born at Royal Women's Hospital, is believed to be the biggest ever born in Australia.

The child is Carmen Stagno whose mother came from Malta five years ago.

Mrs Stagno has three other children, two of whom weighed 12 lb 11 ozs. and 12 lb 0 ozs. at birth.—People Special

The Rules Of Love For Teacher And Pupil

By People Reporter

KENNETH TOPHAM, aged 27, fell in love with one of the pupils, 16-year-old Ann Straw, when he took over the sixth form French class.

He asked her shyly if he could call on her at home. She agreed. She fell in love with him.

For two years they kept their secret. For two years they kept to three strict rules:

There must be no talk of love or marriage.

There must be no kissing, not even affectionate hand-holding.

They would never go out together or be left alone.

Then Ann left school, Thorne Grammar School near Doncaster. Mr Topham proposed.

And Ann, now 20 and a teacher herself, will marry her former teacher at St. Nicholas Church, Thorne.

Discreet

Her widowed mother, 44-year-old Mrs Daisy Straw, said at her home in Lime Tree Grove: "They were very much in love, but Ken made the rules and they kept to them.

"They realised they had to be very discreet and that if it were known at school it might have caused a lot of silly talk which would probably have affected Ken's career and my daughter's schooling."

Said Mr Topham, of St Nicholas Road, Thorne: "It was love at first sight, but we decided never to talk of love or openly show our love while Ann was still at school. Then, when she went to Hereford College to train to be a teacher, we decided to wait another two years before marrying."

Ann, who now teaches at a local Infants' school, said: "Mother wanted to make sure it was not just a schoolgirl crush on a master."

ANN STRAW
"Mother wanted to make sure"

Scared to death? They'll bury you free

NEW YORK

by ARTHUR BRITTENDEN

HOW do *you* react when you hear the story about the little boy who asked his mother: *"Mummy, why am I always going round in circles?"* And his mother replied: *"Be quiet, Henry, or I will nail your other foot to the floor?"*

Do you find it horrible? Tasteless? Unfunny?

This is the kind of story you can expect to be told by responsible people in America today.

And just as you would be considered dreary if you did not laugh, so you would be thought curiously starchy if you expressed surprise at the host of grotesquely distorted figures with an obsession for death and the spilling of blood who are paraded from coast to coast on television.

These ghoulish characters have millions of followers, adults as well as children. But not one voice has yet been raised in protest against them.

OUTLANDISH

No one knows how the craze started. And, in an attempt to explain its growing following, psychiatrists are turning out reasons almost as outlandish as the cult itself.

But one thing is certain: *It has already gone on too long and has too many people in its grip to be passed off as a transient oddity in American life.*

In its incursion into television, for example, the hold of the ghoul craze is nowhere stronger than in Philadelphia, a city long considered by Americans to be one of their most cultured and staid.

There, twice a week, TV screens are now handed over to an ex-university graduate who goes into thousands of homes as a maniacal figure known as Roland.

He lives in an underground crypt where sinister test tubes froth on a laboratory bench. Around him move a vampire wife, a companion who devours bodies—dead or alive—and an amoeba-like creature which studio technicians devised from a cheese-cloth bag of jelly.

TOP BILLING

Roland, who a few months ago was making only brief appearances in programme breaks, has now shot to peak-hour billing on Friday and Saturday nights.

The extent of his impact on viewers was made clear when Roland announced that his wife needed a fresh pillow for her coffin. He then asked viewers:

"Will each of you send her three hairs from your head?"

Twenty-three thousand people did so. And a special staff had to be taken on to deal with the fervidly macabre mail.

When viewers were told they could go along to the studio to meet Roland, 13,000 people took up the invitation. Traffic blocks stretched for miles and people who got out of their cars to walk were jammed round the studio for hours.

Roland—before this an unheard-of actor in his late thirties—has household-name notoriety today. His telephone rings day and night and there is a constant stream of callers at his home.

One man took him a coffin containing a skeleton and 14 skulls.

As word of Roland's horrifying activities has spread, more and more television stations have dreamed up ghoul-like figures to leer and cackle at viewers.

DESPERATE

Those who question the morality of letting loose two-headed monsters, blood-sucking bats and wolfmen on family audiences quickly have had their minds made up for them.

The alternative has become clear and uninvolved: *Put horror on the screen or lose your viewers.*

Film companies, desperate to meet the challenge of television, have jumped, not surprisingly, on the horror bandwagon.

First they dug out old copies of *Dracula* and *Frankenstein* films. Now they are turning out new productions which, in their repulsiveness, make the old "creepies" as pale as a nursery tale.

Some cinemas are even inviting people to make their will—or take out an insurance policy—before they see some of these horror films. The policies, said to be lodged with Lloyd's of London, do not cover people with known heart conditions or those who might commit suicide during the showing of the film.

One company is offering "free burial" to anyone frightened to death.

In other cinemas nurses stand by to serve "courage cocktails."

Even New York's most distinguished newspapers have carried advertisements this week for a film whose makers boast: *"The first time atomic mutation on human beings has been shown on the screen."*

Get-well card—"cruellie" style

Even the record companies are cashing in. One record, *Dinner with Dracula* — it features a mummy, a vampire, and Dracula's daughter, who serves her guests acid instead of water — has had huge sales. So has a second record on one side *Give Her The Axe Max;* on the other *Terrible Ivan—To Rob Graves Was His Hideous Plan.*

Both these records sell for a few shillings. In record stores they are played again and again by teenagers.

THE SIGNS

I walked round New York's main shopping streets for about an hour. Everywhere there are signs of this horror cult. There is scarcely a stationery shop that does not have decks of horror cards for sale.

"Please don't ever change. You're just adorable exactly as you are," is printed on the front of one of the cards. You open it and inside you find a drawing of a ghoul with a haggard face and eyes.

Another card shows two hovering vultures. Inside is the message: *"Sorry to hear you've been ill."*

Toy shops show off trays of "Little Horribles." These are china figures, named *Hole in the Head, Three-armed Pete,* and *The Venture.* They cost between 5s. and 7s.

I heard one little boy—he was pointing at one of these toys in the form of a human eye which sprouted six legs—says "Oh, mum, I love that." His mother bought it for him.

Children are also offered rubber masks which give them gnarled and discoloured faces.

BEST SELLERS

Sadistic paintings are appearing on ashtrays, drinking glasses, napkins, and table mats. And, say the makers, they are selling in their tens of thousands.

One painting shows a man slumped over his desk, a dagger in his back. His colleague, who has killed him, is saying: *"Sorry, Charlie, but business is business."*

In many shop windows hang authentic-looking shrunken heads, the lips threaded together with string.

There are also the jokes which run from the macabre and the obscene to cruel play on physical sickness and deformity.

In a country which, as quickly as it develops strange cults, calls on its psychiatrist to explain them, there has naturally been a rush to diagnose the horror craze.

THE THEORIES

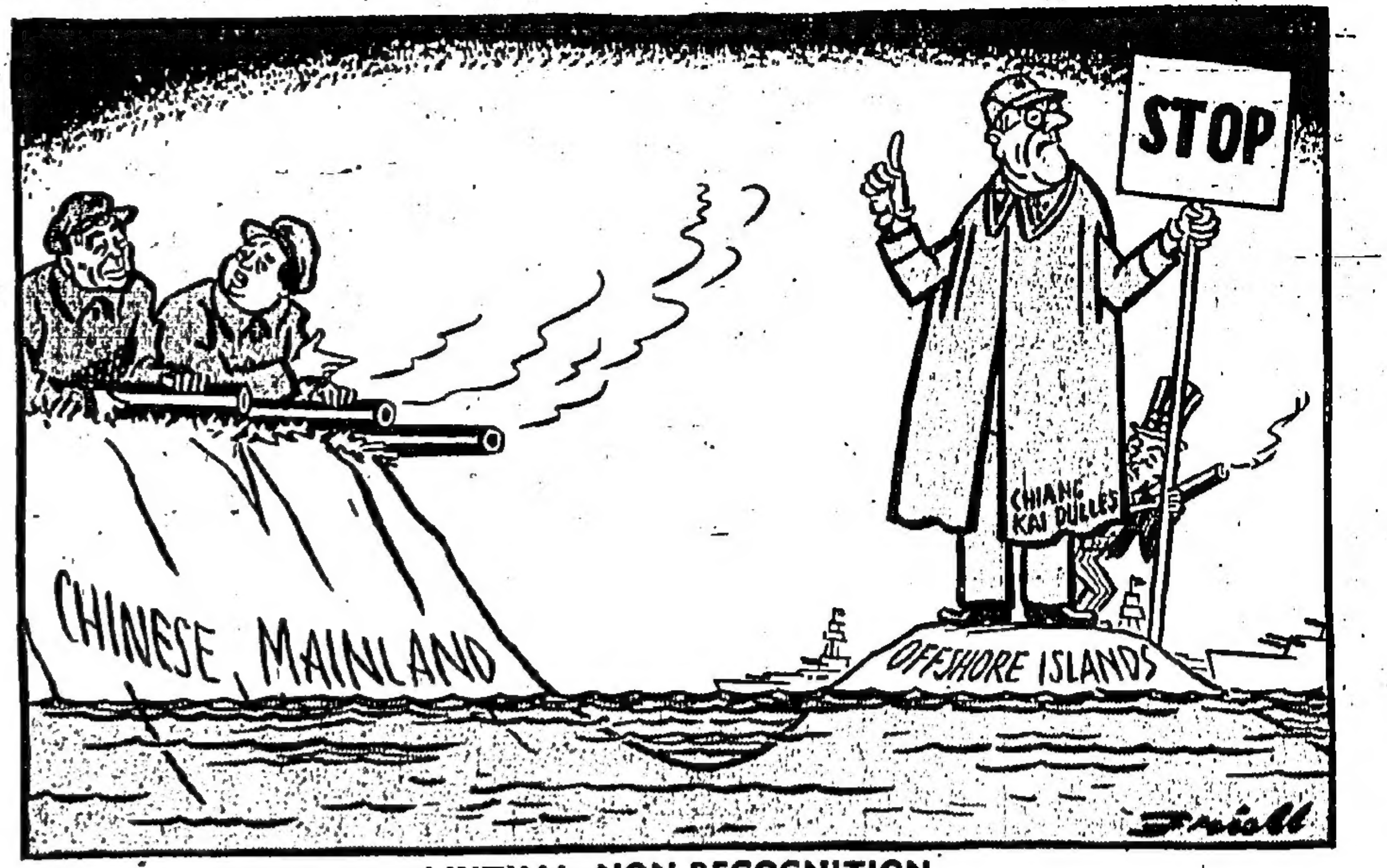
One theory which has eminent backing is that by it Americans are finding escape from the potential horror of a nuclear world, which they feel is beyond their control.

Another view is that there is a streak of violence and hatred in everyone and that most people find an outlet through watching a horror show.

What is the real reason for the horror craze? I do not know and, like many others, I cannot understand it.

But I can remember seeing one little girl run screaming from a shop when she was shown a shrunken head.

That I can understand.



MUTUAL NON-RECOGNITION

London Express Service

Vice?—I Couldn't See It!

PETER BURGOYNE'S News From Britain

I WALKED one day this week through what people are beginning to call London's race riot district.

Notting Hill was once a prim western suburb in the days when the Grossmith brothers wrote their affectionate satire of the Victorian lower middle-class, "The Diary of a Nobody."

Notting Hill was just the sort of district they had in mind, with its stucco-fronted, terraced houses, their bow-windowed parlours discreetly curtained against the quiet streets.

Now the heirs of the "Nobodies" have moved away from Notting Hill into the subtopias of outer London. And Notting Hill has slipped badly on the social scale.

In the streets, I passed Indian women in saris and Chinese girls in tight, high-collared dresses. In the maze of identical streets around the teeming street market of the Portobello Road, coloured West Indians were much in evidence.

Coloured children played in the streets. A small Jamaican boy pushed a playground swing for a couple of white girls. Some of the coloured children already had a sharp London edge on their soft Caribbean accents.

Vice, I had been told, flourished in Notting Hill. I looked for signs of it. The unmistakable signs you can see any day or night around Soho or Shepherd's Market.

What "vice" there might have been was keeping itself very much under cover.

Notting Hill that day looked very much like any other poor district of London. Yet a few hours later, under the cloak of darkness, the riots flared again.

There is no shortage of theories about the genesis of the Notting Hill trouble. I will not weary you with mine. But there are one or two points worth considering.

First, that the actual rioters, the people who resort to active violence, represent a very, very small percentage of the crowds who throng the streets when the trouble starts.

Second, that Brixton and Stepney, which both have larger coloured communities than Notting Hill, have been free of violence. And some parts of Stepney have had a bad reputation for vice for a long time.

Third, that a political organisation in the area has for some time now been running a "Keep Britain White" campaign.

Fourth, that violence has only erupted at night; during the day everything has been quiet.

Consider these points. Do they add up to spontaneous racial hatred?

Meet Tony Boy

The really hep among Britain's teenage population are switching from Teddy Boy to Tony Boy dress.

The travesty of Edwardian clothes which for several years now has been the uniform of thousands of adolescent youths—and, incidentally, the symbol of juvenile gangsterism—is being abandoned in favour of this new slick style based on what the well-dressed Italian wears.

Trousers are still drainpipe width, but the thick-soled Teddy Boy "creepers" are replaced by wafer-thin pointed shoes of unpolished leather. Most notable difference: the long—often knee-length—Edwardian jackets are "out," and plain, short, boxy jackets with high lapels are "in."

Hair styles are changing, too. The laborious, well-greased duck-tail arrangements are being cropped down to something which the owner hopes makes him look like Marlon Brando playing Mark Anthony.

Some Tony Boys have begun sporting gold earrings.

Fashion Footnote for the Beat Generation: Blue jeans are "out" Londonwise. Their place is being taken by "safari" slacks, tailored from khaki drill.

Cod War

Most Britons didn't quite know how to react to the tragi-comic business of the Anglo-Icelandic row over the fishing waters around Iceland.

There was a superficial air of drama about the fact that frigates of the Royal Navy were escorting British trawlers into the twelve-mile no-fishing limit claimed by Iceland.

Clearly the British felt the gesture of defiance was justified. Iceland had consulted no one about the new limit and had turned down repeated British offers to consult and compromise over the tricky problem of fishing areas.

But what had started out as a drama soon came to look vaguely farcical when Icelanders and Britons met in the grey northern waters.

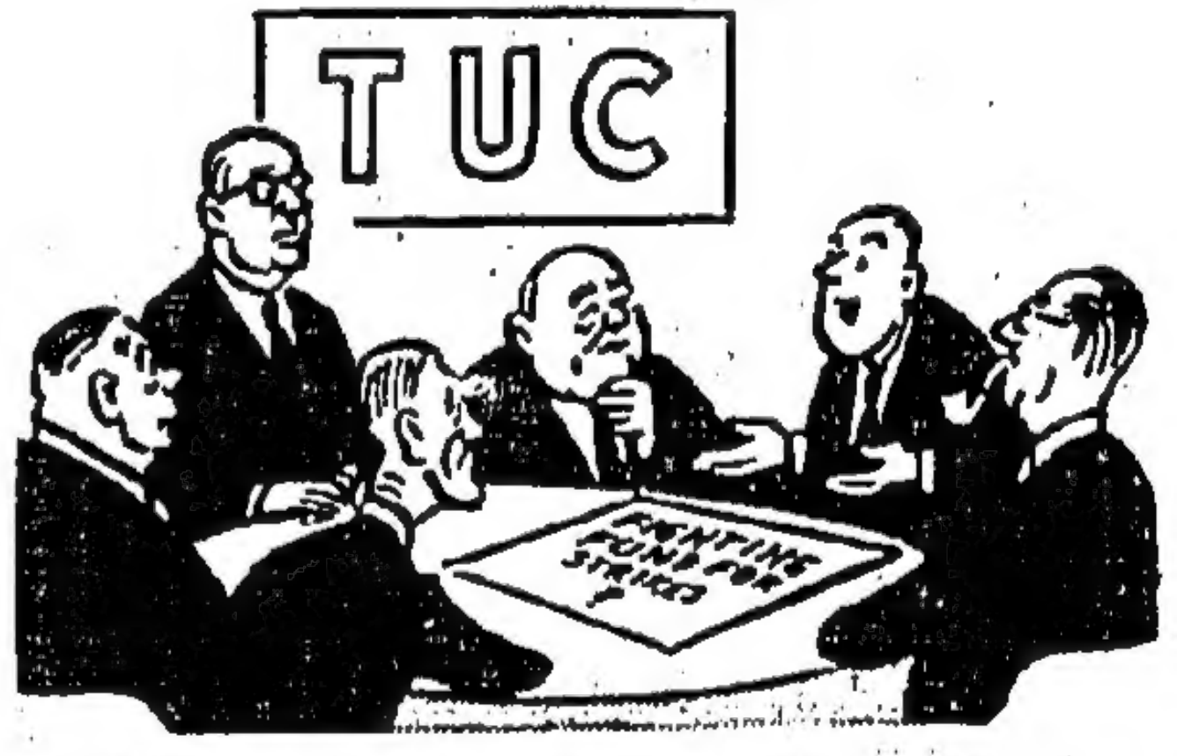
In specially designated areas the British frigates played tag with the Icelandic gunboats, using their superior speed to cut them off whenever they tried to approach a British trawler.

Icelandic sailors who boarded a British trawler were taken "prisoner." Their embarrassed captors didn't know what to do with them and asked the Icelandic Navy to take them back. In a massive huff the Icelanders refused to have their fellow-countrymen returned and these had to be transferred to one of the Royal Navy ships.

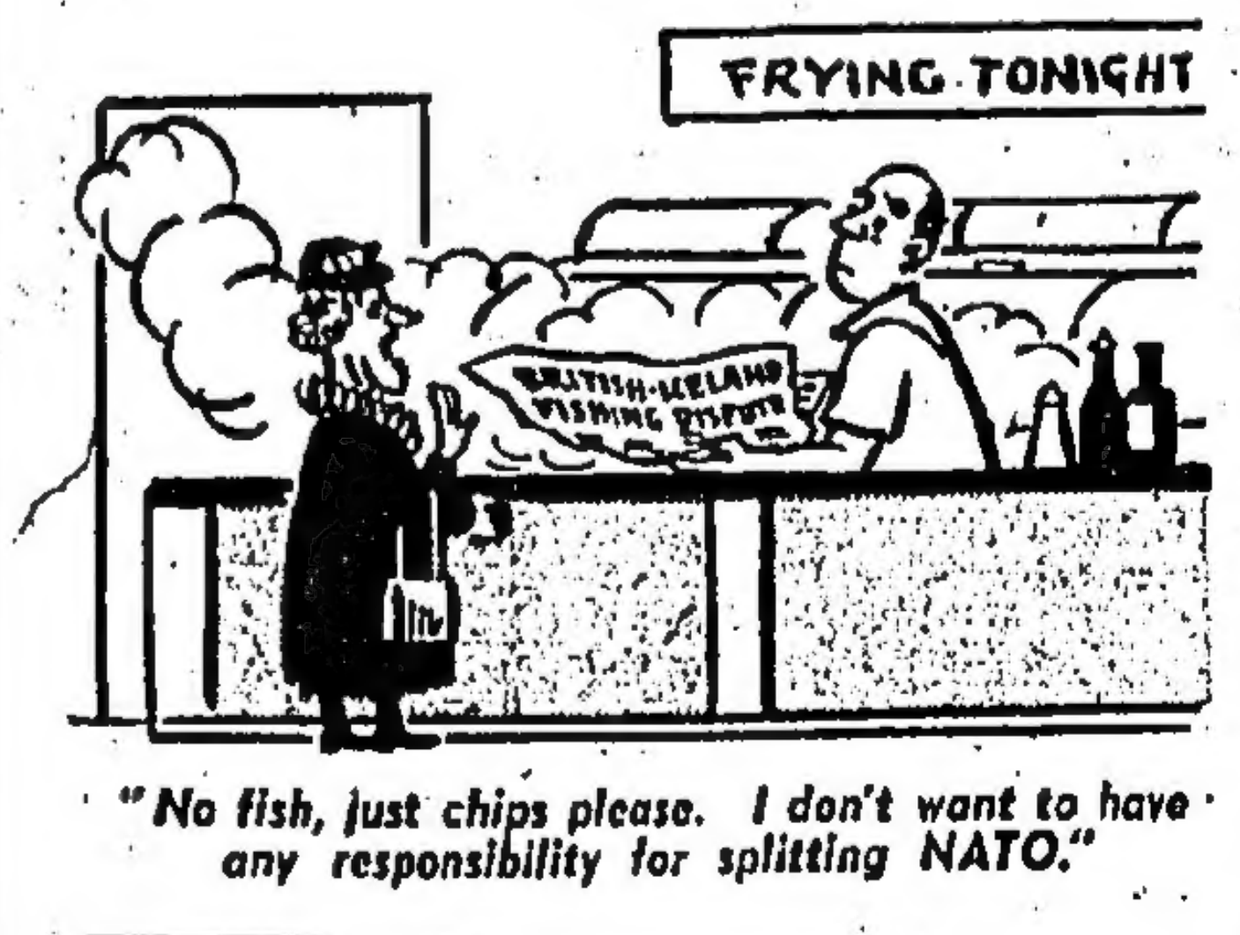
Then some of the trawler skippers began to get restive. It was all very well showing the Icelanders that British trawlermen would fish inside the twelve-mile limit if they felt like it—but just at the moment the area didn't seem worth fishing, catches were so poor.

At week's end, though, drama was restored when a British frigate reported that an Icelandic gunboat had tried to ram her.

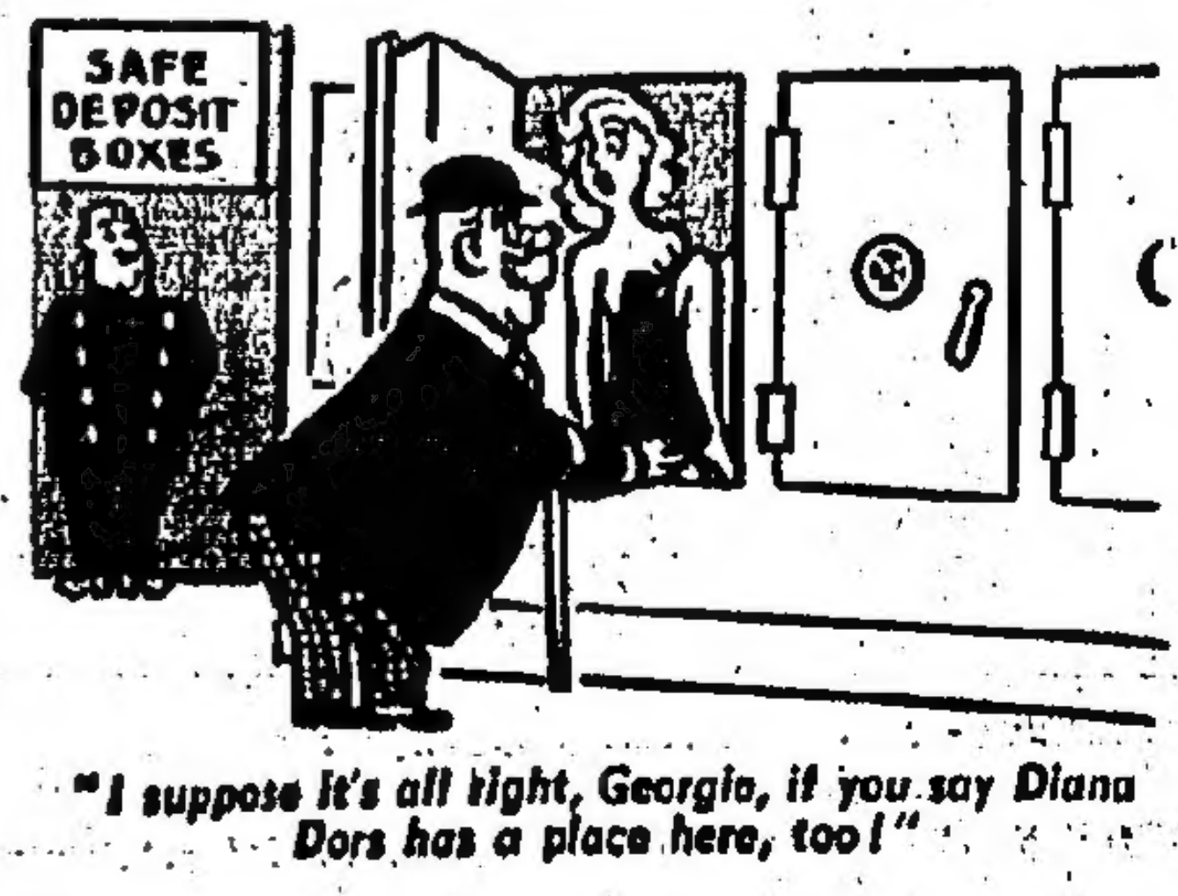
MIDWEEK Friell



"All we have to do when we call a strike is to instruct each of our members to apply to the bank for a £500 personal loan!"



"No fish, just chips please. I don't want to have any responsibility for splitting NATO."



"I suppose it's all right, Georgio, if you say Diana Dors has a place here, too!"

No, thank you, I won't shake his hand!

AMSTERDAM,

A ONE-TIME German who was responsible for the violent death or maiming of more than 9,000 British civilians is being honoured here by Englishmen.

He is 46-year-old Dr Wernher von Braun, the handsome, bull-shouldered scientist who invented the V2 rocket which bombarded England for 201 terrifying days after the Luftwaffe and been swept out of the skies.

Whenever he shows up at the rocket congress here, Englishmen who, like me, had been on the receiving end of his indiscriminately murderous weapon line up to shake his hand.

Americans shoulder in to be near him when the Press cameras flash. Dutchmen in this city, which was cruelly occupied by von Braun's marauding countrymen, are treating him like some Rembrandt of the rocket age.

Since von Braun ricked his back gallantly rescuing a lady's handkerchief on Monday scores of admirers have paid sympathetic respect in his room at the Hotel Europe where he is lying on a board.

All these men hustling round Hitler's former junior genius are fellow scientists, imbued with some degree of that warped Freemasonry which washes out social sin so long as science is served.

Von Braun has certainly served the science of rocketry. Since switching sides after his capture in 1945 he has become America's satellite saviour.

It was his Jupiter rocket, developed from the V2 by his almost all-German team, which succeeded in putting up a satellite after the home-grown Vanguard had miserably failed.

I THINK...

But as I watch these queues crowding to meet this lion of the launching pad, I cannot help thinking of that other war-time queue at New Cross waiting to buy fish — a three-deep line of workaday English women, who suddenly became a mangled mass when a von Braun special exploded among them. To me blood is thicker than the camaraderie of science.

Perhaps more than any other person von Braun epitomises the peculiar scientific mind which is humane and cultivated, yet dedicated to the art of building destructive weapons.

He claims that his consuming loyalty is to space, to extending knowledge about the realms beyond earth. But his business address is Redstone Arsenal, Alabama.

HIS EXCUSE

Ask von Braun how he felt about making the V2 for Hitler and he says, without hypocrisy, that it was simply an excuse to get on building rockets. The means justified the end—however terrible that was for thousands of people he had never met.

When the first V2 struck London he joked: "A pity it has landed on the wrong planet." His attitude now to building the monsters against which V2 is a squib is equally cynical: "If the only way I can build rockets is for military purposes that is the way I will do it."

Why, then, is von Braun, the unquestioned founder of long-range terror, getting this guest-of-honour treatment? Simply because he is a scientist, and others trained in the scientific discipline think about these things in an off-beat way.

DESERTION

Even von Braun's desertion of his native country in defeat seems entirely normal to the German rocket men here. To the dedicated scientist "the facilities for research" matter far more than feelings for native soil.

That is why the moon is in such demand by the scientists—it offers exceptional facilities for experiment.

Due perhaps to some defect in my scientific training, I cannot see things this way. Von Braun may now be the uncrowned king of Cape Canaveral, but I will not shake the hand which fashioned the rocket that made too many hard landings on British homes for there to be no hard feelings.

Chapman Pincher

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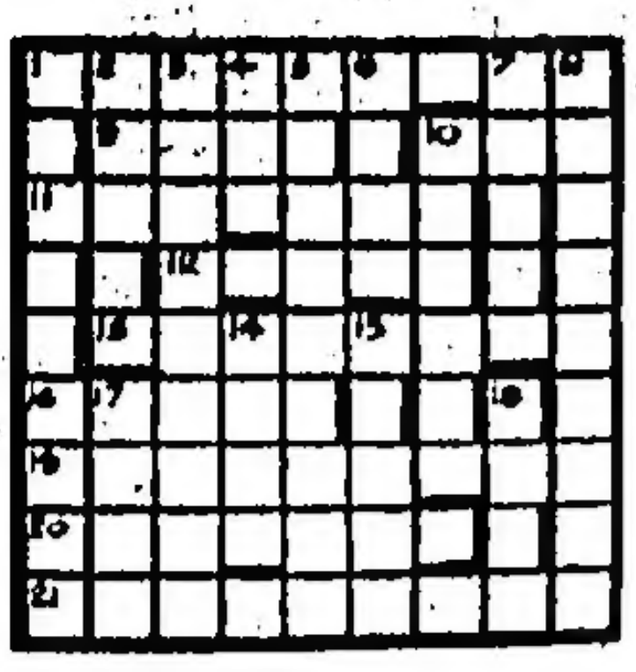

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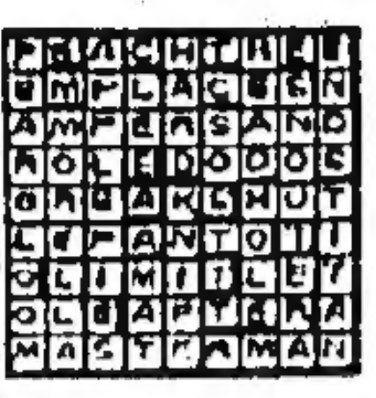
1. Kept down. (9)
9. Middle time of day. (4)
10. Road-making material. (5)
11. Lengthen out. (7)
12. To the point. (5)
13. Turning down. (8)
16. Root for perfume. (5)
19. Breakfast and supper. (9)
20. Young high-fliers. (7)
21. Fast careless drivers. (5-4)

Down

1. Places of quiet. (4, 5)
2. Go in. (5)
3. Transport charges. (9)
4. Female deer. (3)
5. Net duster (anag.). (9)
6. Bags. (4)
7. Swallowed. (5)
8. [illegible] (9)
10. Belief in God. (6)
14. "Come — the cup." (4)
15. Metal craftsman (6)
17. Gather the harvest. (4)
18. Titanic sinker. (4)



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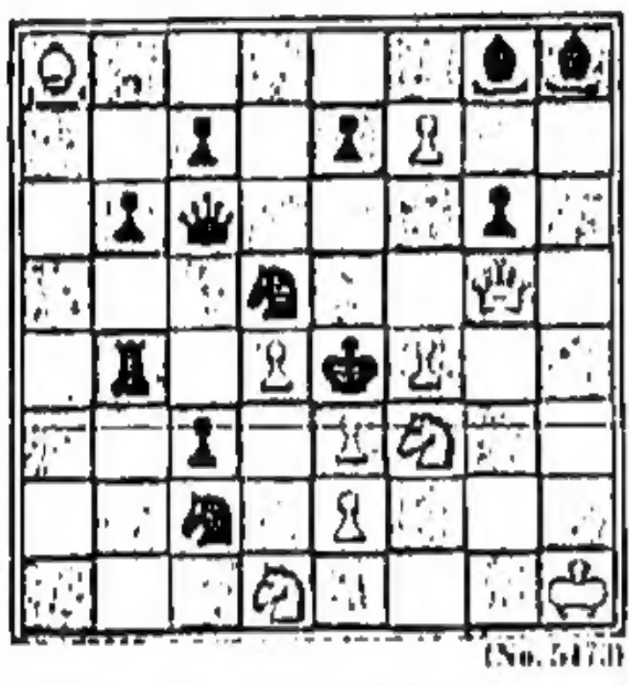

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Here is a problem by B. Kipman (1895). White to play and mate in two moves.

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WOMAN'S WORLD

ARABELLA WILL GO

Sir Winston's Golden Wedding

London, Sept. 9.

Eight-year-old Arabella Churchill, flaxen-haired favourite-granddaughter of Sir Winston and Lady Churchill will attend their golden wedding anniversary party on Friday in the south of France, it was announced here today.

Mrs Duncan Sandys, wife of the British Defence Minister and Sir Winston Churchill's daughter, said in London: "My brother Randolph is taking his daughter Arabella. No other members of the family will be there."

Arabella is usually one of the nine grandchildren at Sir Winston Churchill's family parties.

On Friday at Lord Beaverbrook's Villa Caponica at Cap Dail on the French riviera she will be on her own.

At the Churchills London home the elder statesman's staff were today preparing to deal with a flood of messages of congratulations and gifts expected to begin arriving before the end of the week.

Many more will be sent direct to the Churchills in France.

☆ ☆ ☆

London.

Nylon hair nets can cause dermatitis skin disease in women, according to three specialists writing in the British Medical Journal.

The experts, dermatologists at London hospitals, said they had collected 27 such cases within 18 months.

They added: "The rash produced by sensitivity to nylon hair nets so closely resembles one of constitutional origin that several of our cases were incorrectly diagnosed when first seen.

"Although we were unable to obtain the actual dyes used on the nets, we consider that hair-net dermatitis results from sensitivity to the dye in the majority of cases.

"When the nylon net was discarded, even if replaced by a silk or hair one, the rash cleared."—China Mail Special.

•JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Vienna Coup Uses Good, Old Squeeze

By OSWALD JACOBY

THE Vienna Coup was supposedly first used in Vienna in the 19th century. The game was Whist, but the theory of the play is still the same.

~~The first stage of the Vienna~~ Coup is to establish a good card in the hand of the victim. The second is to squeeze him with it.

West took the king and queen of spades and shifted to the queen of diamonds. As usual in squeeze situations South could count 10 tricks but needed 11.

West was marked with the jack of diamonds and almost surely with the kind of hearts so the squeeze had to be against him.

NORTH 30
♠ 3 2
♥ Q 4
♦ 7 5
♣ Q J 10 7 6 5 3

WEST
♠ A K Q 6 5 4
♥ K 8 7
♦ Q J 9
♣ 7

EAST
♠ 10 9 7
♥ J 9 6 3
♦ 8 6 4 3 2
♣ 4

SOUTH (D)
♠ J 8
♥ A 10 5 2
♦ A K 10
♣ A K 9 8

Both vulnerable

South	West	North	East
1 ♣	Double	4 ♣	Pass
4 N.T.	Pass	5 ♣	Pass
Pass	Pass		

Opening lead—♠ K

If South simply ran out dummy's trump suit he would have to discard before West and would not be able to hold on to his threat cards so the Vienna Coup became necessary.

After drawing a couple of rounds of trumps he cashed his ace of hearts and then ran the rest of the trump suit.

He was able to discard his three low hearts on dummy's clubs but see what happened to West.

He had to hold on to that king of hearts and eventually was forced to unguard the jack of diamonds whereupon South's king and ten of diamonds were good for the last two tricks.

♥♣CARD Sense♠♦

Q—The bidding has been:

South	West	North	East
1 ♣	Pass	1 ♦	Pass
2 N.T.	Pass	3 ♦	Pass
?			

You, South, hold:

♠A Q 2 ♥K J 4 ♦Q 9 7 ♣A K 8 4

What do you do?

A—Bid three no-trump. You hold the same balanced 19 points you started with.

TODAY'S QUESTION

Your partner continues with a bid of four diamonds. What do you do now?

Answer Tomorrow

WOMANSENSE

KEEP IN TRIM

By IDA JEAN KAIN

Aim At A Smaller Sized Dress

WHAT makes half size dresses more matronly than regular sizes? It's the inches added through the middle spread. Designers use every trick of the trade to whittle the middle and turn substance into shadow. But no use blinking, the figure that requires the half size has piled too many pounds on the waist, abdomen and hips. In other words, half sizes are proportioned wider.

If you wear a half size, say an 18½, and yearn to be able to fit into a regular size, you can by making moderate alterations in your figure. With 12 pounds off in the right places, you can slip into an 18 diminutive and you will definitely have a more youthful looking figure.

Compare the two sizes. Size 18½: Bust 41; waist 33½; abdomen 40½; hips 42. Size 18 short; Bust 39½; waist 31; abdomen 37½; hips 40.

THE DIFFERENCE

Between the two sizes there is a difference of 1½ inches only through the bust measurement. The biggest difference is in the middle measurement: 2½ inches in the waistline; 3 inches through the abdomen; and 2 inches around the hips.

Being short, you will always need to curb calories to control weight. The greatest favour you can do for yourself is to change to an eating pattern that will stimulate your system to burn more food and at the same time ~~help you to change your food~~ habits from fattening to slimming.

To make your calories count for good nutrition, your meals should consist largely of the protective foods— lean meats, eggs, cheese, cottage cheese, skim milk or buttermilk; fresh fruits, vegetables and limited bread and butter.

To stave off hunger, include a protein food at every meal; for breakfast, an egg, for lunch, lean meat or cottage cheese and skim milk; for dinner, lean meat, fish or fowl. Late afternoon have an energy pick-up such as buttermilk, hard-cooked egg, or tea and a cube of cheese.

Keep your reducing calories around 1,000 daily. Make it a habit to trim all fats, avoid gravies and sauces, and have only one starch at a meal.

Exercise stimulates your body to burn more food. Take specific exercise to lose through the middle measurement.

Household Hints

Paper can be freed from mil~~dew by drying it first in an~~ airy place, then brushing off the dry, loose mould, with a clean, soft cloth.

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Freshen coconut by soaking it in sweet milk for a few minutes before using.

Beauty Queen Bride

Lovely reflection in the mirror is that of the newly elected Miss Great Britain, 19-year-old Christine Mayo, in her wedding gown.

Christine, who won her beauty title at Morecambe, was trying on the dress at her home in Abergele, North Wales.

She married motor salesman John Twigdon at Rhyl last week.—Reuterphoto.

Getting A Good Tan

WANT to get an attractive tan without getting sunburned? Maybe a simple little tablet can help you do just that.

Experiments indicate that psoralen derivatives, 8-methoxypsoralen (methoxsalen) and 8-isoamyleneoxypsoralen (8-IOP), help facilitate sun tanning.

MINIMUM DAMAGE

If this is proven conclusively, it probably will mean that you will be able to get a nice tan without inflicting much permanent damage on the underlying connective tissue.

Moreover, it may mean that those of you who have been unable to acquire a tan in the past may be able to do so with relative ease. And those subject to skin cancer may be greatly protected from the offending rays of the sun.

According to experiments conducted in Hawaii, the tan acquired under the influence of the psoralens may be of a slightly different colour and quality than that which generally results from exposure to the sun.

STRIKING COLOUR

Indications are that it would be a striking chocolate brown. What's more, it probably will last a good deal longer than an ordinary tan.

Four persons who had never been able to acquire a good tan were given tablets by their doctors containing 10 mg. of 8-methoxypsoralen and 5 mg. of 8-IOP to take an hour or so before going into the sun.

So it may not be long before you can discard those suntan creams and lotions and get all the protection you need from a pill.

—H. N. BUNDESEN, M. D.

YOUR BIRTHDAY ....By STELLA

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

BORN today, you have a tremendous store of physical and mental energy. You must be "up and doing" all of the time if you are to be happy. Inactivity is anathema as far as you are concerned. You must be careful to see that your energies are directed into constructive channels. Otherwise you could be so very "busy-busy busy" without accomplishing anything at all! Just movement for the sake of motion rarely brings satisfying results. You need to move in the right direction.

Although you are capable of earning sufficient money for your needs, you are often not sufficiently interested in money-making to build up a fortune. You need very little for your personal needs, and unless you have obligations that call for a lot of money, you may not bother to amass wealth. But, should you put your mind on it, you could become quite wealthy well before your middle years. An unexpected legacy may come to you just at the moment when it will be of the most use.

You have a strong love of nature and probably will have more than one romance before settling down to wedded bliss. You crave kindness and affection and are happiest when you have your own home where you can bask in the love and devotion of your own kin. You are the type to make many personal sacrifices for those you love, since their happiness is your happiness as well.

Among those born on this date were: Jeppe Akajaer, Danish poet; William T. Harris, educator and philanthropist; Henry Carey Baird, philanthropist and publisher; Nicholas Biddle, naval hero in the Revolutionary War; Franz Werfel, author, poet and dramatist; Carl Van Doren, critic and author, and Poultney Bigelow, author.

To find what the stars have in store for you tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—A rather important honour may be tendered you today. Be gracious in accepting it. You've earned it, too.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—Deal with someone in a key position and in so doing further your success potential considerably.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—Take care of important matters, either business or personal, and you will find the results are rewarding.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—If job-hunting today, your chances of finding exactly what you want are excellent. Show initiative.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—If involved in some government matter, you will find that negotiations go along excellently now.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Perhaps you have been hunting a new house or apartment. You should find what you want now. Take it!

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—If invited somewhere this evening, accept the invitation. You should have a good time socially.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—This is your day for romance. Anticipate an interesting and exciting development in your love life.

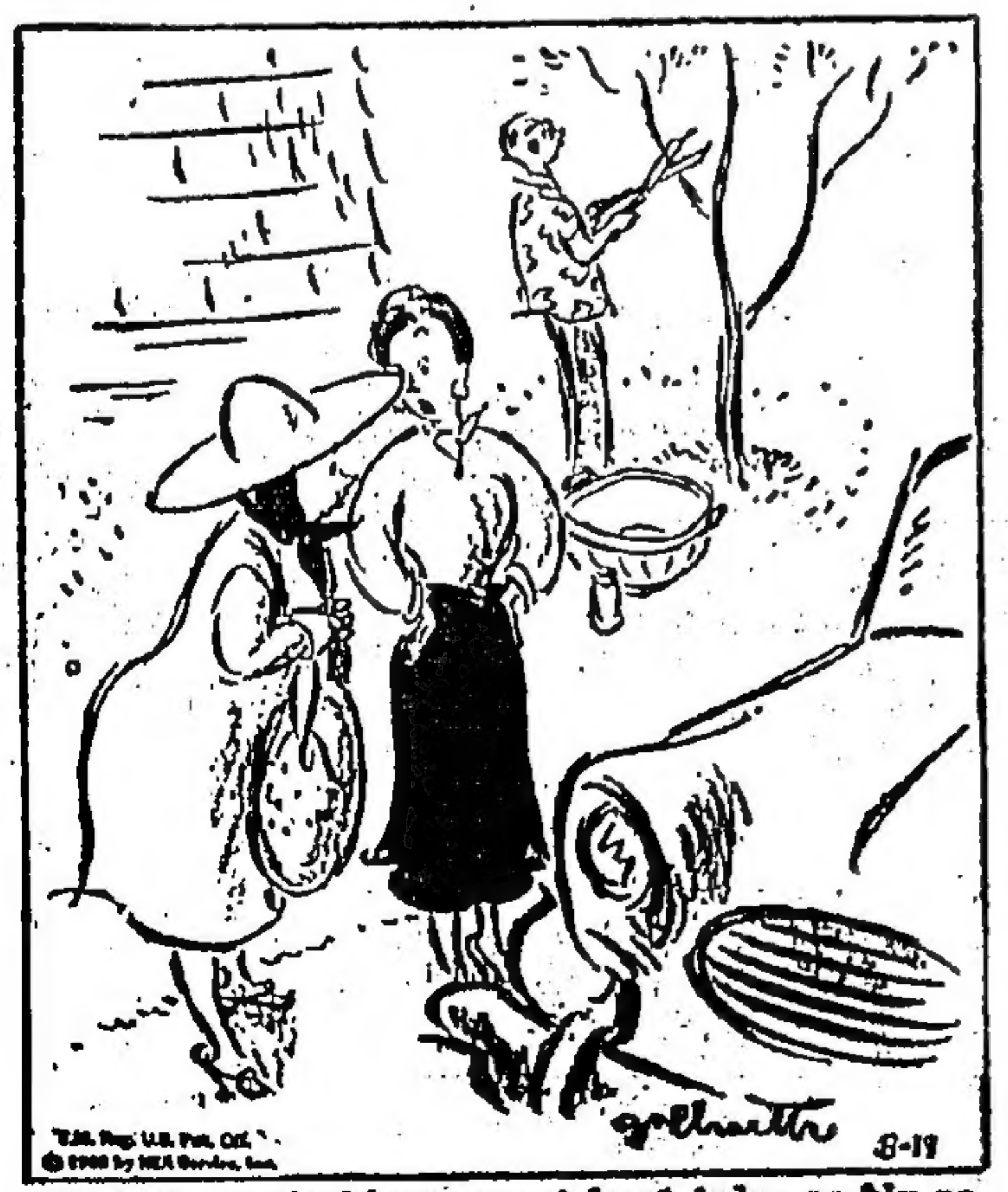
TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—You could forget the budget today and spend a little something extra for a luxury you have been wanting.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—Perhaps school matters are important to members of your immediate family. Solve any perplexities easily today.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)—Some rather ceremonious affair may be scheduled for you today. It should go off well. You come out with colours flying!

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Perhaps this is the day you are getting your "one and only" the ring! A fine day for buying ornamental jewellery.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



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"Well, the truck driver was at least twice as big as Henry, but Henry never once lost control of his temper!"

Rupert and Floppity—46

Rastus can keep a straight face no longer, and bursts into a laugh. "Come on, what's the joke? You're hiding something!" cries Rupert. "Yes, come and see," Rastus giggles, and, leading the way to a bush, he points to a fat, fluffy puppy. "There, that's the reward the gentleman gave me," he smiles. "Isn't he lovely? But I can't very well give you half of that, can I? I propose you take him every other month. Then we shall share him. But what we'll do if he grows as big as Floppity I cannot imagine!"

THE END.

Tomorrow.

A new adventure begins

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BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

The Four Wind Giants

—Only One Bird Was Able To See Them—

By MAX TRELL

"BARON MUNCH, did you ever meet a Giant?" Knarf, the Shadow Boy with the Turned-About Name, asked his old friend.

Baron Munch, who was sitting in his garden under the shadow of a Pickle Tree, reading a book, lifted his head, took off his horn-rimmed glasses and asked: "A Giant?"

"Yes," said Knarf. "Did you ever meet a Giant?"

At this, Baron Munch shut his book altogether and said: "I not only met a Giant. I knew one very well. In fact, I knew a whole family of Giants."

"You did!" exclaimed Knarf.

Four Brothers

"There were four of them," replied Baron Munch. "They were brothers. The oldest and strongest one used to come around in the wintertime. The youngest and pleasantest one used to come right here to my garden in the summertime. The other two brothers used to come on rainy days."

"I knew a Giant very well," Baron told Knarf.

Knarf thought to himself that these four Giants seemed like very strange people. He wondered why one came in the wintertime and one came in the summertime and the other two came on rainy days.

"The most curious thing about these Four Giants," Baron Munch continued, "was this. Although you knew they were around, you never could see them."

"You mean they were invisible?" asked Knarf.

"Maybe some folks could see them," replied Baron Munch, "I never could."

Puzzled Voice

"If you couldn't see them," asked Knarf, in a puzzled voice, "how did you know they were Giants?"

"I knew they were Giants by what they did," replied Baron Munch. "The biggest and the roughest of the Four Giants—"

"The one who came in the winter?" asked Knarf.

"Yes. He could blow a tree down. I've often seen him shake all the leaves off a tree. Nobody but a Giant could do that. And the second of the Giants—"

"The one who came in the summer?" asked Knarf.

"That's the one!" replied Baron Munch. "He was gentle and good-natured, but he could go racing across the sky with a whole armful of clouds. No one but a Giant could do that. And the other two Giants—"

"The ones who came on rainy days?' Knarf interrupted.

Baron Much nodded. "They not only came on rainy days. They brought the rain with them, those two. And, as often as not, they carried lightning and thunderbolts stuck in their pockets. Who else but Giants could do things like that?"

"I think," said Knarf, after a moment or two of silence, "that I know the names of those Four Giants!"

"You do!" exclaimed Baron Munch. "I should be very glad if you would tell me."

"The one who comes in the winter," said Knarf, "is called North Wind. The one who comes in the summertime is called South Wind. And the Two Giants who come in rainy days are called East Wind and West Wind."

Baron Munch nodded and smiled.

"You know those Giants, too, my dear Knarf."

"But I've never seen them," Knarf said.

"No one has ever seen the Wind Giants," said Baron Munch, "except perhaps the Sea Gulls and the Eagles.

"And one other Bird," said Knarf.

"Which one?' asked Baron Munch.

"The Weather Vane that stands on the roof of the house that stands on the top of the hill," said Knarf. "No matter which way the Wind blows, the Weather Vane always looks straight at it. If anyone can see the Wind, the Weather Vane is that one! Don't you think so, Baron Munch?"

But Baron Much only shrugged as he opened his book again. "No one has ever spoken to a Weather Vane," he said.

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Evans Makes Cricket History

Has Now Made More Test Appearances Than Any Other Cricketer

THOMAS GODFREY EVANS, England's 38-year-old wicket-keeper, has now made more Test appearances than any other cricketer in history. He broke Wally Hammond's 12-year-old record when he recently played in his 86th Test—against New Zealand. And if he does not miss another Test he could reach a century of appearances in 1960.

Evans has been breaking records from the beginning of his Test career. He won his England cap in 1946 in his first full season of county cricket. His debut was in the final Test against India.

On his first MCC tour—with Hammond's side in Australia—Evans set up two world records. During the series he did not concede one bye until 1,024 runs had been scored. And in the fourth Test he took a record time to open his score, being at the wicket 95 minutes before a single run.

Saved England

That innings, in Adelaide in 1947, was one of his greatest. He scored only 10 runs, batting for hours while Denis Compton hit a century to save England from defeat.

Since then Evans has won a reputation for being able to rise to the big occasion and since his debut he has played in 85 of 99 Tests. He missed five of them only because illness prevented him from going on the 1951-52 tour of India.

As a batsman Evans has been most valuable for his ability to score runs quickly when they are most needed. Dour defence is really foreign to his nature; he is much happier when he can hit out.

Lived At Lord's

While he did not score in 95 minutes against Australia he hit a century in less than that time against Somerset in 1951. He shared with Trevour Billy in a record sixth wicket partnership of 161 against the West Indies. In 1957, he shared with Colin Cowdrey a record seventh wicket partnership of 195, also against the West Indies.

Godfrey Evans was born on August 18, 1920, in Middlesex, and became a Kent man when his family moved to Faversham, settling in a house which was rather disloyally named "Lords."

On leaving school, Evans worked in the motor trade and practised his cricket during the winter at an indoor nets. In 1938 he had a Kent Trial and joined the staff as a wicket-keeper-batsman. He graduated to the Second XI in 1939 and hit two centuries in Minor Counties cricket.

But cricket was not his only love at this time. He became a professional boxer and fought for £2 prizes on Herne Bay pier. Evans won all his fights, the first two by knock-outs. But when he broke his nose during a bout, Kent asked him to stop boxing — and fortunately for England he did.

World's Greatest

As a young man, Evans was able to benefit from the advice of his great predecessor, Leslie Ames, and in 1939 he was promoted to the county team—as a batsman.

But it was not until 1942, when playing in a Services match, that Evans was recognised as a top-class stumper. He was immediately invited to play in important charity games and when the war ended he was being tipped as the future England 'keeper'.

Today, Evans is generally recognised as the greatest wicket-keeper in the world. He has had more than 200 victims in his career—far more than any other wicke-keeper — and he has made more than 2,300 runs.

The remarkable thing about Evans is that, despite all the years he has spent behind the stumps, his hands bear no marks of his trade. He did crack a thumb once, but that was while batting.

Sturdy and of medium height, he partly attributes his brilliant stumping and catching to his boxing. Fighting, he says, quickened his reactions.

Expert Jeweller

He has succeeded in two professions for he is an expert jeweller and managing director of a Hatton Garden firm. Last year he answered questions on precious jewellery in the television programme "Double Your Money."

Evans tackled the task with the same single-mindedness he brings to his cricket. For weeks he studied books on the subject and then gained the jackpot prize of £1,000.

Gleefully, he embraced the glamorous hostess on the programme. And then he gave £600 to his former England colleague, the Rev. David Sheppard, for his boys' club in London.

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ELLIOTT INTERESTED IN PRO OFFER

Singapore, Sept. 9.

Australian wonder miler Herb Elliott said here tonight he was ready to consider seriously turning professional.

Elliott was passing through Singapore after two months' campaigning in Europe. He is taking home with him new world times for the mile and 1,500 metres.

He told reporters he would be having discussions in Perth with Mr Leo Leavitt, the American professional sports promoter, who has said he is willing to pay the 20-year-old clerk 88,000 sterling for a two-year professional contract.

Elliott said: "I am quite interested in the money part, but I do not know what I would have to do to earn it.

"If Mr Leavitt's proposition is reasonable, I will seriously think the matterr over.

"It would have to be reasonable to make me give up my amateur status."

Elliott left later for Australia.—Reuter.

English Soccer Results

London, Sept. 9.

Results in tonight's English Football League matches were:

Division I			
Arsenal	0	Bolton W.	1
Burnley	3	Everton	1
Division II			
Huddersfield Town	0	Bristol City	1
Division III			
Doncaster R.	2	Queen's Park	0
Brentford	2	Mansfield T.	0
Division IV			
Southport	1	Bradford	0
Carlisle U.	2	Northampton T.	1
Watford	2	Crystal Palace	2

42 WORLD SWIMMING RECORDS RATIFIED BY 'FINA' CONGRESS

Australians Credited With 26

Vienna, Sept. 9.

Japan's Tsuyoshi Yamanaka and Yakashi Ishimoto had world swimming records ratified by the Congress of the International Swimming Federation (FINA) here today.

The new records are Yamanaka's 200 metres freestyle swim of 2 minutes 3 seconds in Osaka, Japan, on August 22 and Ishimoto's 1:00.1 for the 100 metres butterfly in Los Angeles on June 29.

The world mark by Ishimoto, who recently announced his retirement from swimming because of ear trouble, has been bettered by Lance Larson, of the United States, with a time of 59.6 in Los Angeles on August 28. But it is assumed that this time was set too late to be submitted for ratification at today's meeting.

Seven For Konrads

Altogether a total of 42 records were ratified today, 26 of them going to the Australians. Their star, 16-year-old Jon Konrads had seven freestyle records ratified.

Many other times, which were records when they were achieved, were ratified today, but the 42 times listed below emerged as the world's latest official records for the respective events.

Olympic Games

The Congress also approved the following decisions concerning the swimming programme for the 1960 Olympic Games in Rome.

★ To suggest to the International Olympic Committee that only two competitors from each country be allowed to start in each event, instead of three as hitherto.

★ To admit the 4 x 100 metres relay for men and women into the Games programme, provided only swimmers taking part in the individual events are included in the relay team.

The List

Following is the complete list of official world records:—

WOMEN'S FREESTYLE

110 metres—D. Fraser (Australia), 1:01.2.
110 Yards—Fraser, 1:01.4.
200 Metres—Fraser, 2:14.7.
220 Yards—Fraser, 2:14.7.
800 Metres—I. Konrads (Australia) 10:11.8.
880 Yards—Konrads, 10:11.8.
4 x 100 Yards Relay—Australia, 4:17.4.

WOMEN'S BREASTSTROKE

100 Metres—K. Beyer, (East Germany), 1:20.3.

WOMEN'S BUTTERFLY

100 Metres—N. Ramey (USA), 1:09.6.
110 Yards—Ramey, 1:11.3.
200 Metres—Ramey, 2:10.5.

WOMEN'S BACKSTROKE

100 Metres—J. Grinham, (Britain) 1:11.9.
110 Yards—Grinham, 1:11.9.
200 Metres—G. Von Saltza (USA), 2:37.4.

WOMEN'S INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY

400 Metres—S. Ruuska (USA), 5:43.7.
400 Yards—Ruuska, 5:46.9.

WOMEN'S MEDLEY RELAY

4 x 100 Metres—Holland, 4:52.9.
4 x100 Yards—Britain, 4:54.0.

MEN'S FREESTYLE:

200 Metres — T. Yamanaka (Japan), 2:03.0
220 Yards — J. Konrads (Australia), 2:032.
400 Metres — Konrads, 4:21.8.
440 Yards — Konrads, 4:21.8
800 Metres — Konrads, 9:14.5.
880 Yards — Konrads, 9:14.5.
1,500 Metres—Konrads, 17:28.7.
1,650 Yards—Konrads, 17:28.7.
4 x 100 Metres Relay—Australia, 3:46.3.
4 x 110 Yards Relay—Australia, 3:47.3.
4 x 220 Yards Relay—Australia, 8:24.5.

MEN'S BREASTSTROKE

100 Metres—V. Minashkin (Soviet Union) 1:11.5.
110 Yards—T. Gathercole (Australia) 1:12.4.
200 Metres—Gathercole, 2:36.5.
220 Yards—Gathercole, 2:36.5.

MEN'S BUTTERFLY

100 Metres — T. Ishimoto (Japan), 1:00.1.
110 Yards—T. Jacko (USA), 1:03.2.

MEN'S BACKSTROKE

100 Metres — J. Monckton (Australia), 1:01.5.
110 Yards — Monckton, 1:01.5.
200 Metres—Monckton, 2:18.4.
220 Yards — Monckton, 2:18.4.

MEN'S INDIVIDUAL MEDLEY

400 Metres — V. Struyanov (Soviet Union), 5:12.9.

MEN'S MEDLEY RELAY

4 x 100 Metres — Australia, 4:14.2.
4 x 110 Yards — Australia, 4:10.4.—Reuter.

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Soviet Women's Team Set New Relay Record

Moscow, Sept. 9.

Russia tonight claimed a new world record for the three by 800 metres women's relay with the time of 6 minutes, 27.4 seconds.

Tass agency said the record was established at Kiev by the Russian girls, Lioubov Yanvereva, Dora Kozlova, and Lioudmila Lysenka, during an athletics meet today.

The former record of 6 minutes, 27.6 seconds was also held by the Soviet Union.—France-Presse.

England XI Lose To Commonwealth By 3 Wickets

London, Sept. 9.

Vinoo Mankad, Indian Test cricketer, today helped a Commonwealth XI to defeat an England XI at the Hastings cricket festival.

The Commonwealth team won by three wickets, scoring 221 and 260 for seven in reply to England's 244 and 233.

Going in at No. 7, Mankad, batting most attractively and scoring briskly, was undefeated with 36 runs. Mankad's seventh wicket partnership with the Australian Livingston yielded 73 runs in an hour.

Top scorer for the Commonwealth XI was Bill Alley, the Somerset all-rounder whose 82 runs gave his team a good start.

The Scores

England first innings 244 (C. Young 57, B. Carr 54) C. McCool three for 37 and V. Mankad two for 32.

England—2nd innings 233 (J. Murray 68, R. Subba Row 54), C. Bartels three for 25, C. McCool three for 91, L. Livingston two for 22 and V. Mankad one for eight.

Commonwealth first innings 221 (G. Sobers 58).

Commonwealth Second Innings: 260 for seven (W. Alley 82, L. Livingston 51, J. Manning 38, V.—Mankad 36 not out.—France-Presse.

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Dow Finsterwald Wins Utah Open Golf C'ship

Salt, Lake City, Sept. 9.

Dow Finsterwald, of Florida, the United States professional golf champion, won the 17,000 dollar Utah open golf championship here yesterday.

He had a final round of 66 for a 72-hole total of 267. Equal seconds, one stroke behind, were Fred Hawkins, of Texas, and Arnold Palmer, of Pennsylvania.—Reuter.

Motor-Car Rally Events For 1959

Milan, Sept. 9.

The motor-car rally calendar for the 1959 season was today issued, following a meeting of the Sports Commission of the International Automobile Federation.

The calendar includes events counting for the world driving championship, the international sports car championship, the mountain championship and the European rally championship.

It reads as follows:

March 21—The United States, the Sebring 12 hour event.
May 10, Monaco, The Monaco Grand Prix.
May 24, Italy, Targa Florio.
May 30, United States, the Indianapolis 500 miles.
May 31, Holland, the Dutch Grand Prix.
June 7 or 21; Germany, Nuburgring.
June 14, Belgium, the Belgian Grand Prix.
June 20/21, France, Le Mans.
July 28, France, Mont Ventoux.
July 4, United States, Pikes Peak.
July 5, France, The A. C. F. Grand Prix.
July 12, Italy, Trente-Mont Bondone.
July 18, Britain, the R.A.C. Grand Prix.
August 2, Germany, German Grand Prix.
August 15, Austria, Gaisberg.
August 24, Portugal, Portuguese Grand Prix.
August 29-30, Switzerland, Mountain Grand Prix.
September 5, Britain, Tourist Trophy.
September 13, Italy, Italian Grand Prix.
October 11, Morocco, Moroccan Grand Pix.
November, Venezuela, Grand Prix of Venezuela.
January 15-24, Monte-Carlo Rally.
February 23-26, The Sestrieres Rally.
March 10-12, Great British Rally.
April 27 to May 2, Tulip Rally.
May 13-16, German Rally.
May 28-31, Acropolis Rally.
June 9-13, the "Soleil De Minuit" Rally.
June 24, the Alpine Cup.
July 23-26, Adriatic Rally.
August 14-16, the "Thousand Lakes" Rally.
September 6, the Liege-Rome-Liege Rally.
September 18-20, The Viking Rally.
October 22-25, the Portuguese Automobile Club Rally.—France-Presse.

Closing Curtain For A Great Ring Career

A SHORT RIGHT FROM POMPEY AND ALL'S OVER FOR RANDY TURPIN

London, Sept. 9.

Coloured British light-heavyweight champion, Randolph Turpin, crashed to the canvas after only four and a half minutes of his scheduled ten round fight against Yoland Pompey at Birmingham tonight.

Pompey landed a tremendous short right to the champion's jaw. Randy sagged to the canvas but in the best traditions of the game, he twice tried to heave himself to his feet but twice he fell face forwards as he was counted out.

This was the virtual closing curtain for a great ring career which was crowned by his unforgettable victory over Sugar Ray Robinson at Earl's Court in 1951 for the world middleweight title.

Big Plans

Tonight Turpin showed flashes of his old form when he felled Pompey in the first round with a telling right. He continued to box confidently until Pompey shook him at the beginning of the second round and then administered his final blow.

Pompey's triumphant manager, Jack Burns, told tonight of the big plans he has for his West Indies boy in the future—and they include contests with Empire champion, Yvon Durelle of Canada, world champion, Archie Moore and Sugar Ray Robinson.

Said manager Burns: "Our first objective is a fight with Durelle whom Pompey has already stopped. And I am going to see whether Archie Moore will give him another opportunity. An overweight fight with Sugar Ray Robinson is also on the cards.—France-Presse.

RUGBY LEAGUE RESULTS

London, Sept. 9.

Results of tonight's three Rugby League matches were:

YORKSHIRE CUP

Second Round

Hull 16, Wakefield Trinity 17.
Halifax 15, York 10.
Batley 23, Hull Kingston Rovers 7.—Reuter.

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Champagne Stakes Probables

Doncaster, Sept. 10.

Probable runners and jockeys for the Champagne Stakes, to be run over six furlongs here today at 1435 GMT are: Dominate (D. Smith), Prins Eugen (E. Britt), Carnoustie (L. Piggott), Laughing Cavalier (W. H. Carr), Ink Spot (F. Durr), Be Careful (E. Hide), Linlrick (no jockey), and Reactor (no jockey).—Reuter.

LAWN BOWLS INT'L COMPETITION BEGINS ON SEPTEMBER 21

Draw And Fixtures Announced

Entries have been accepted from the following territories for which convenors have been appointed by the Management Sub-Committee of the Hongkong Lawn Bowls Association as indicated in parentheses:—

Australia (G. Hong Choy—CCC), China (C. C. Ma —CCC), England (M. E. Purvis—KBGC), Hongkong (F. G. Luz—Recreio), Iran (M. J. Divecha — KCC), Ireland (T, Kavanagh — —KBGC), Malaya (M. B. Hassan — IRC), Philippines (F. Tan—FC), Portugal (A. A. Lopes — Recreio), Scotland (R. B. Marshall—TC), Wales (W. Pritchard—HKCC).

Entries were not accepted for Pakistan and Switzerland because fewer than four players applied to represent these territories. Two of the players applying to represent India were ineligible to play according to the bye-laws of the competition. Consequently, as there were fewer than four players left, the entry for India was also not accepted.

Convenors' Duties

Each convenor must co-opt two of the players entered for the territory to select the rink to represent the territory in each round. Convenors will be responsible for the following:

- announcing and informing the players concerned of the composition of the rink.
- ensuring that a copy of the score card, signed by both skips, is forwarded as soon as possible to the Honorary Secretary at the Colonial Secretariat.
- forwarding to the Honorary Secretary an entry fee of $5 for each player chosen to represent the territory in one or more matches.

The Fixtures

The following draw and arrangements are made for first and second round matches which will be played at the Kowloon Bowling Green Club at 3.30 p.m. on the dates given below:

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

First Round

England v. Australia
Iran v. Malaya
Scotland v. Wales

Second Round

Portugal v. China

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

Second Round

England or Australia v. Ireland
Iran or Malaya v. Hongkong
Scotland or Wales v. Philippines

The semi finals will be played on Sunday, October 5, and the final on Saturday, October 11.

Players

The following players are qualified to represent the territories listed below:

Australia (8): A. W. Lapsley, H. A. Lapsley (KDC), G. Hong Choy (CCC), C. Rounsefell, L.F.G. Cosgrove (KBGC), A. D. Duffy (HKCC), C. Eather, and W. S. Edwards (KCC).

China (7): W. Hong Sling, J. Tang (KCC), C. C. Ma, F. Loe, P. K. Lau, W. C. Young, and C. K. Sung (CCC).

England (17): J. C. Harverson, S. J. Perkins, G. Todkill (KDC), F. Marshall (HKCC), J. H. Goodman (HKPSA), A. J. Stonyer, R. M. Hetherington (USRC), A. L. G. Eastman, M. E. Purvis, J. Tindall, V. C. Bond, W. S. F. Watson, A. H. Gray, N. Carter (KBGC), H. Black, B. Douglass (TC), A. B. White (KCC).

Hong Kong (4): S. E. Souza, F. G. Luz, H. A. Ozorio (Rec), and M. Q. Wong (KCC).

Iran (7): G Madar, M. J. Divecha, P. S. Talati, D. F. Vasunia, K. F. Master (KCC), R. K. Pavri and P. J. Billimoria (CCC).

Ireland (4): S. L. Leonard (CCC), Hon. C. E. M. Terry, G. D. S. Agnew, and T. Kavanagh (KBGC).

Malaya (7): M. Y. Adal, A. R. Kitchell, I. B. Kitchell, A. B. Kitchell, M. B. Hassan, A. H. Seemin, and A. M. Wahab jr. (IRC).

Philippines (5): L. S. da Silva, F. Tan, C. A. Coelho, and F. J. Rodrigues (FC) and E. G. Barros (CCC).

Portugal (15): A. M. Alves, J. da Silva (KCC), C. P. Basto, A. A. Lopes, R. F. Luz, N. Beltrao, E. M. Alarcon, L. M. Remedios, A. P. Pereira jr., C. F. Rozario, J. E. Noronha, R. C. Sales jr., C. E. Passos, F. X. M. Silva and A. V. Lopes (Rec).

Scotland (11): C. McLennan, G. Stark, R. B. Marshall, G.H. Clayton (TC), T.P. Ross (KBGC), P. Munson (CCC), A.G. Skeoch, A. Campbell, A.G. Coles, J.V. Ramsay, and W.A.J. Bayne (KDC).

Wales (4): W. Rees, W. Pritchard, T O. Morgan (HKCC), and R.O. Hughes (FC).

Open Championships

The followng arrangements for the remaining events of the 1958 colony championships are published for information. Matches will start at 4 p.m.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

Ladies' Pairs Final

At HKCC: Mrs S. Silva and Miss H. Kwong (CCC) v. Mrs M. Ma and Mrs D. Baker (KCC).

Men's Rinks Final

At KBGC: J. M. Gutierrez, H. A. Ozorio, S. E. Sousa, C. E. Passos (Rec) v. J. S. Skedd, G. Stark, J. B. Baxter, R. B. Marshall (TC).

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

Men's Singles Semi-Final

At KDC: F. R. Kermani (KCC) v. L. M. Remedios (Rec).

Men's Pairs Final

At KBGC: P. H. Shaw and F. O. Madar (CCC) v. E. G. Barros and F. Lee (CCC).

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

Men's Singles Final

At KBGC: C. Gough (PRC) v. F. R. Kermani (KCC) or L. M. Remedios (Rec).

KIWIS CLAIM HONOURS IN DRAWN MATCH WITH LANCS

Lancaster, Sept. 9.

The New Zealanders took the honours in their rain-hit cricket match against Lancashire which ended in a draw here today.

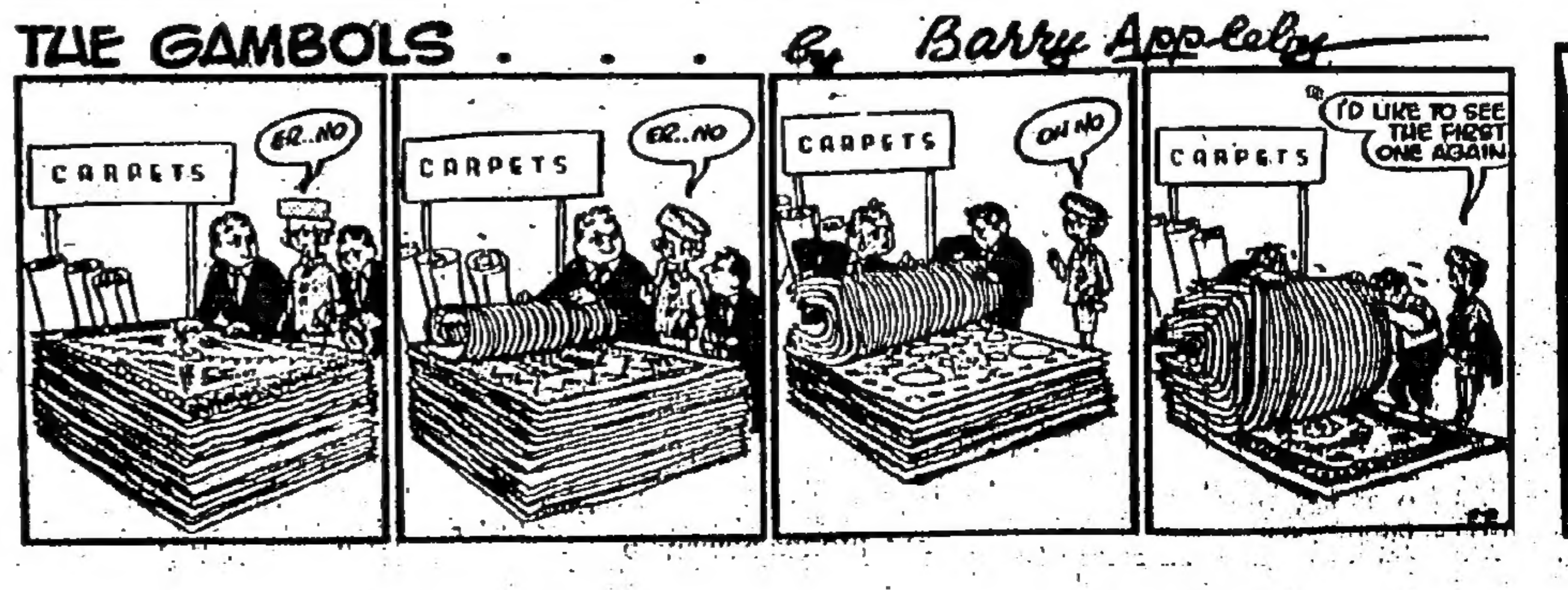
The County's bowlers failed to take advantage of a drying pitch and bright batting took the Tourists to 253 for six declared—a first innings lead of three over Lancashire who totalled 250 for four declared.

With half the first day and the whole of the second washed out, Lancashire closed their innings this morning at their Saturday night score.

Sorry Start

The tourists made a sorry start in their bid for first innings lead losing Bert Sutcliffe without a run on the board. But then came useful stands for each wicket by the top scorers lanky Tony Macgibbon and Trevor Meale. Macgibbon stayed two and a half hours and had two sixes and 13 fours in his 81. Meale's innings of 54 included a six and six fours.

The game ended on a light hearted note with the Tourists employing nine bowlers as Lancashire romped to 65 for two in their second innings.—Reuter.


THE GAMBOLS . . . By Barry Appleby
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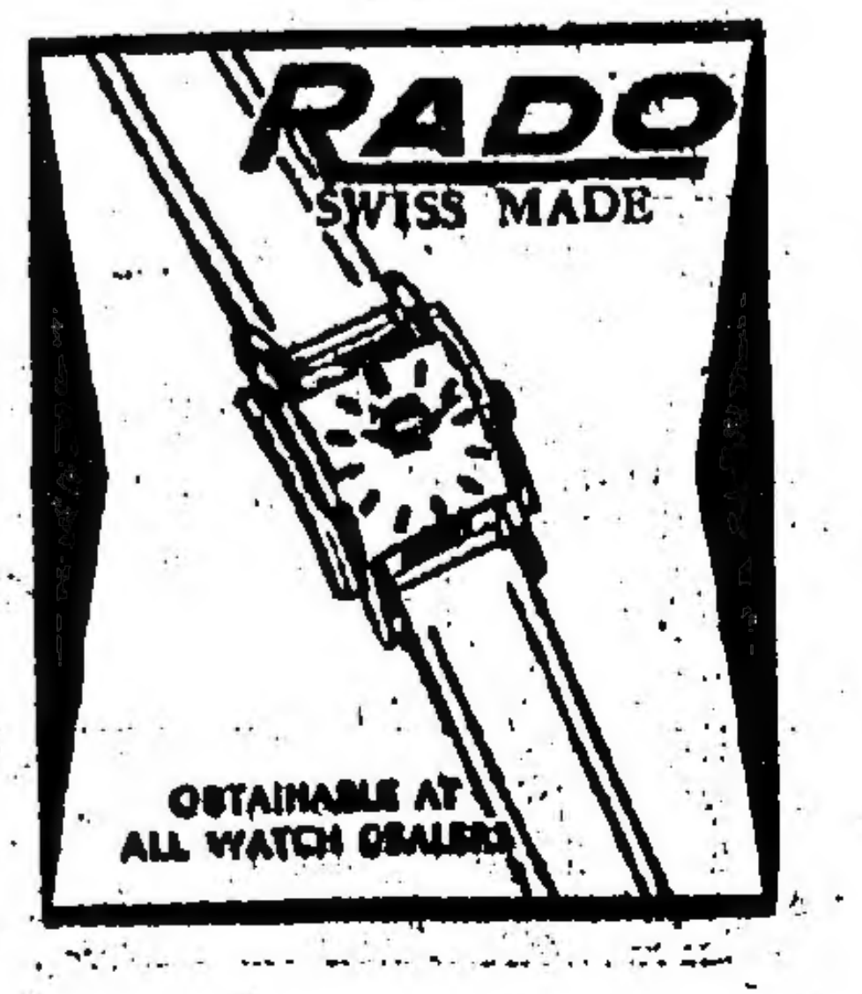
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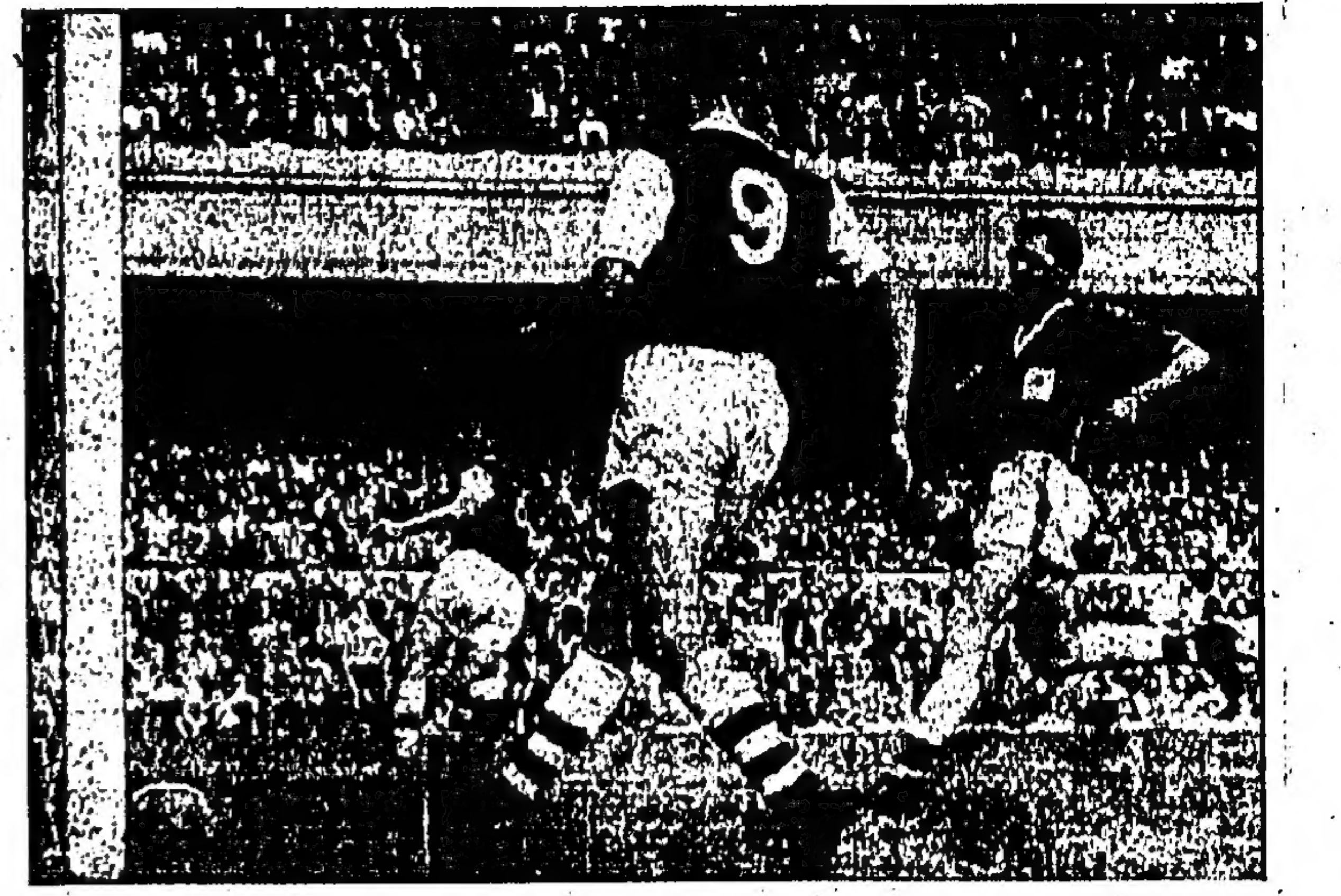
Mr J. C. Marcel, Manager of the engineering department of Messrs Gilman & Co., F. Perkins Ltd's distributors in Hongkong, photographed in the British diesel engine company's service school at Peterborough. Mr Marcel is a founder member of the Hongkong Fencing Association and captained Honkong's fencing team at the Empire Games in Cardiff. He is the epee and sabre Colony champion.


ABOVE: Arsenal's Cliff Wolton shows the easy way of scoring a goal—just sticking out a foot in front of an empty Leicester goal. Arsenal beat Leicester City by 5-1 in this English league first division match on August 31.

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LEFT: Wonder miler Herb Elliott again. This time the Australian runner reaches the tape to win the one mile event at the London versus Warsaw athletics match held under floodlights at the White City stadium on September 3. —Reuter photo.

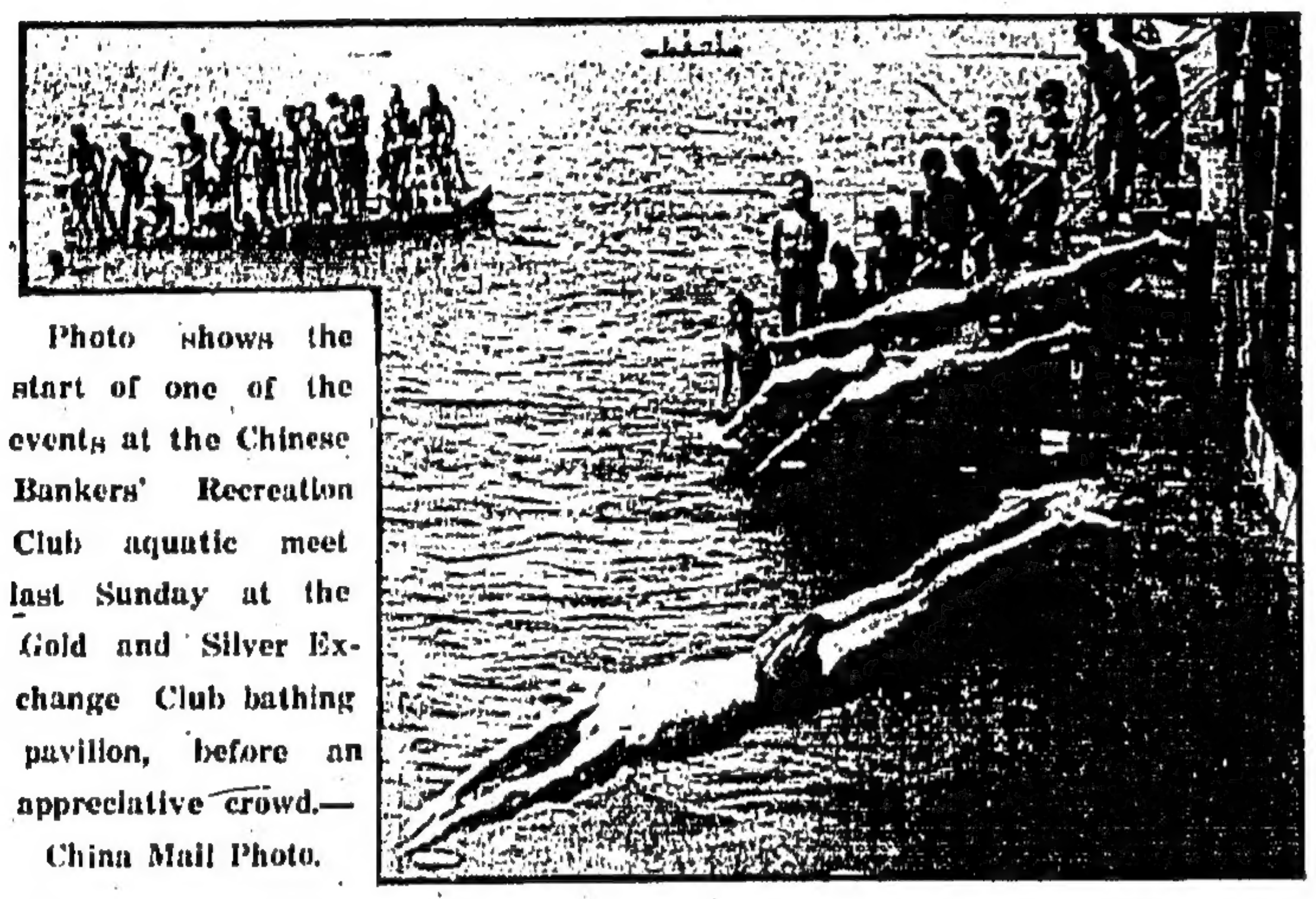
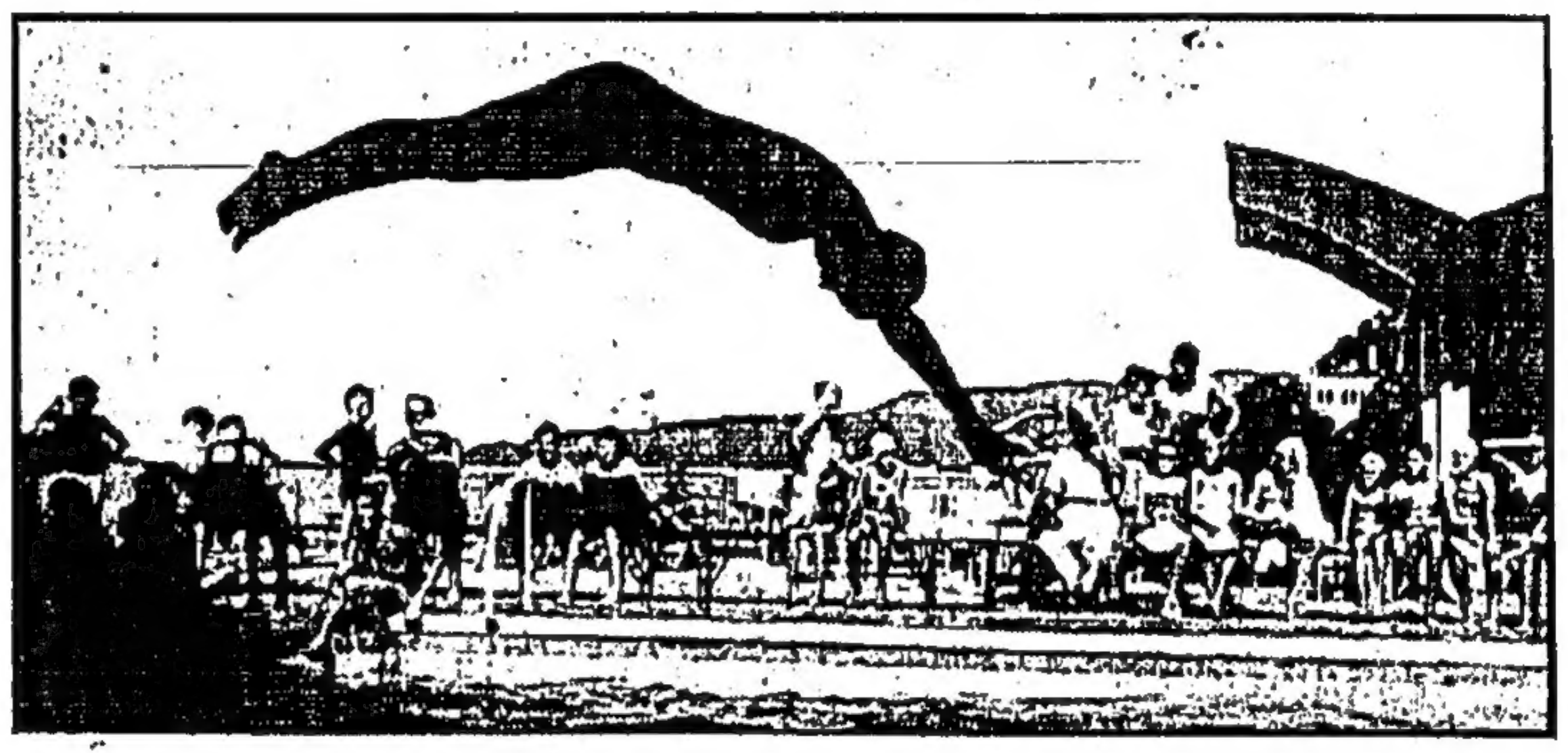


Photo shows the start of one of the events at the Chinese Bankers' Recreation Club aquatic meet last Sunday at the Gold and Silver Exchange Club bathing pavilion, before an appreciative crowd.—China Mail Photo.


ABOVE: That this is a good dive is shown by the expressions of the keen spectators at the Ladies' Recreation Club swimming gala held recently. —China Mail photo.

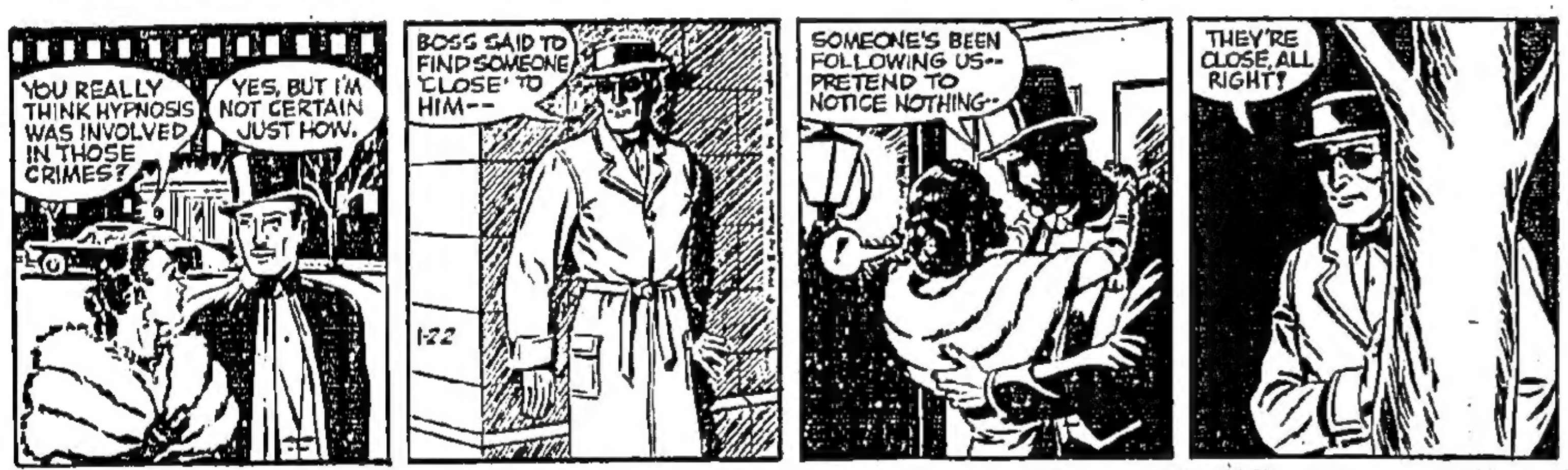
ABOVE: Twenty-year-old Barbara Harris, of Leeds, shown here, was one of the six girls who represented England in the mass-start women's road race at the world cycling championships in Rheims, France, on August 30.

Here she is pictured just before going for her daily 30-mile ride before the championships.—Reuter photo.

ABOVE: All set to strike a new fashion note at Cardross, Scotland, for the West of Scotland ladies' gold championship is Scottish golfer Dorothea Sommerville. She wears knee-length Bermuda shorts and white stockings. Explains Dorothy, who was a member of the Curtis Cup team which visited the USA: "Everyone in America seems to wear Bermudas and they looked so nice in them that three of us in the British team came home with a pair or two each."

MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN

By Lee Falk and Phil Davis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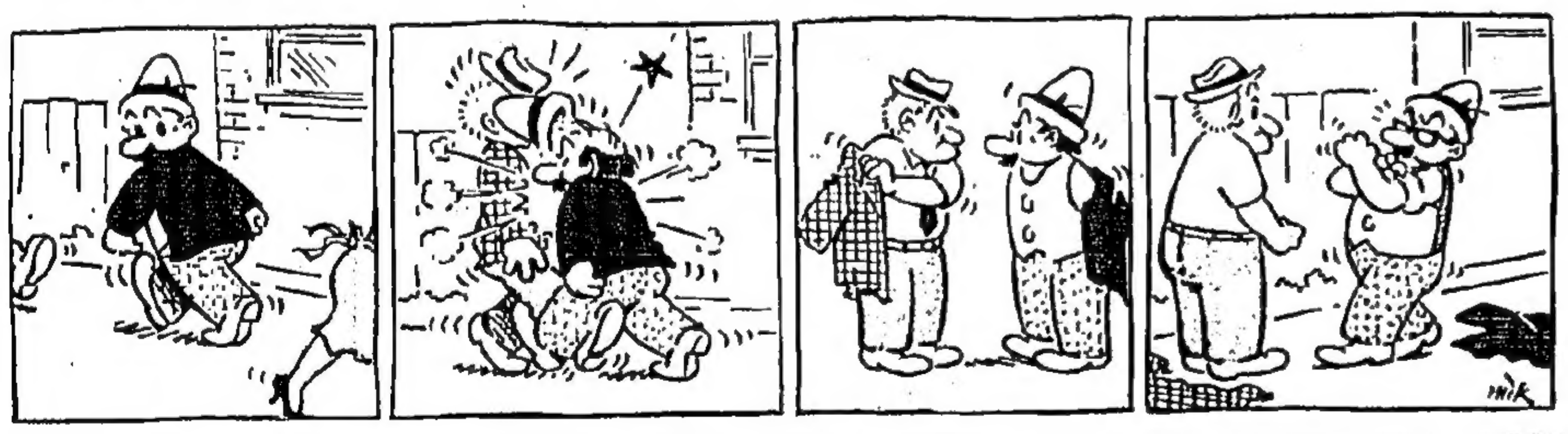

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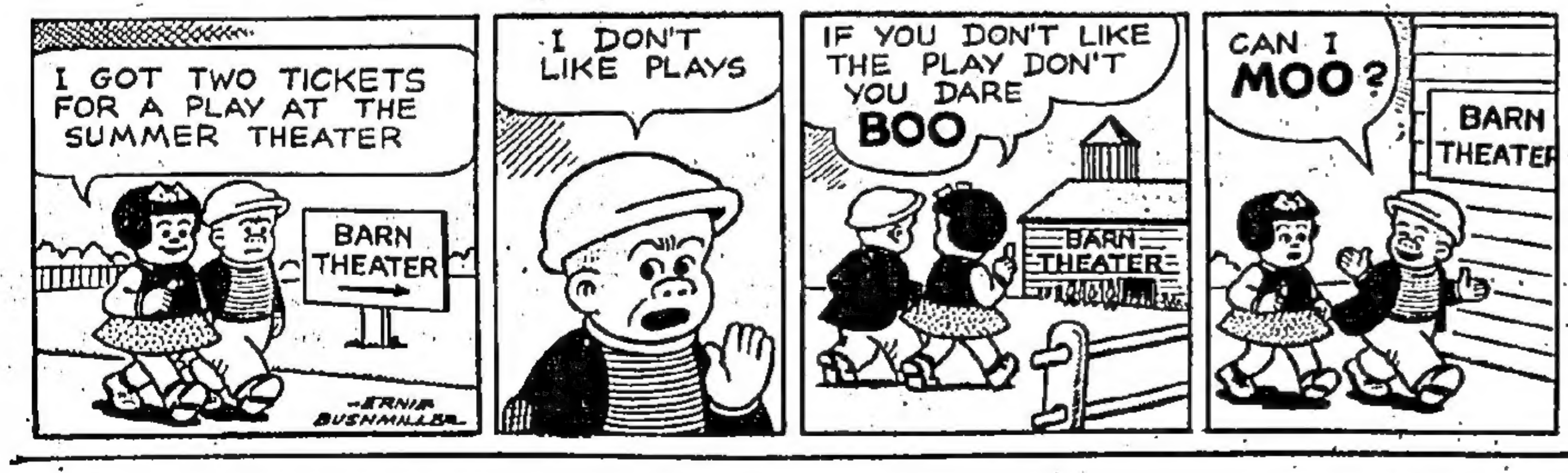
I GOT TWO TICKETS FOR A PLAY AT THE SUMMER THEATER
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—ERNIE BUSHMILLER
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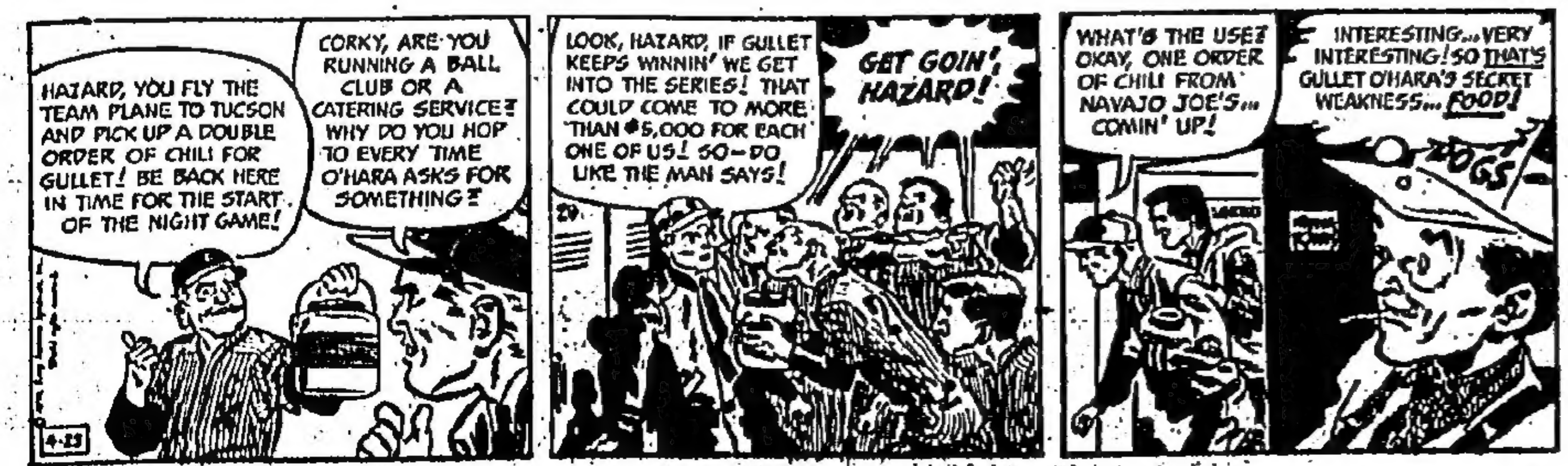
SMARTIES

JOHNNY HAZARD

By Frank Robbins


HAZARD, YOU FLY THE TEAM PLANE TO TUCSON AND PICK UP A DOUBLE ORDER OF CHILI FOR GULLET! BE BACK HERE IN TIME FOR THE START OF THE NIGHT GAME!
CORKY, ARE YOU RUNNING A BALL CLUB OR A CATERING SERVICE? WHY DO YOU HOP TO EVERY TIME O'HARA ASKS FOR SOMETHING?
4-23
LOOK, HAZARD, IF GULLET KEEPS WINNIN' WE GET INTO THE SERIES! THAT COULD COME TO MORE THAN $5,000 FOR EACH ONE OF US! SO—DO LIKE THE MAN SAYS!
GET GOIN', HAZARD!
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Sports Diary

TODAY

Swimming
Final of Tamar's aquatic gala at the Dockyard Pool.

TOMORROW

Tennis
Colony mixed doubles Championships at LRC.

Tennis
Colony Ladies and LRC club championships at LRC courts.

Lawn Bowls
Third Division:—Postponed league match between KBGC and Stanley at KBGC 5.30 p.m.

FRIDAY

Swimming
Land Forces individual swimming championships at Sek Kong.

Tennis
Colony Ladies and LRC club tennis championships at LRC courts.

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Thailand, Burma, India, 6 p.m.
Hawaii, U.S.A., Canada, 6 p.m.
Formosa, Korea, 6 p.m.
Indo-China, Malaya, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, 6 p.m.
Japan, 6 p.m.
By Surface
Macao, 6 p.m.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11
By Air
China, People's Republic, 8.30 a.m.
Indo-China, Pakistan, 1 p.m.
Malaya, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, Ceylon, India, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain and Europe, 2 p.m.
Philippines, 3 p.m.
U.S.A., 6 p.m.

By Surface
China, People's Republic, 9 a.m.
British East Africa, (N. & S. Rhodesia & Nyasaland P/P via Beira), Noon.
Macao, 1 p.m.
Formosa, 3 p.m.
Macao, 6 p.m.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12
By Air
Japan, 9 a.m.
Indo-China, India, France, 10 a.m.
Okinawa, Korea, 10 a.m.
Thailand, Malaya, Indonesia, 10 a.m.
Formosa, 1 p.m.
Guam, Hawaii, U.S.A., 2 p.m.
Philippines, Australia, New Zealand, 3 p.m.
Laos, 6 p.m.
Formosa, 6 p.m.
Burma, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain and Europe, 6 p.m.
Hawaii, 6 p.m.
Cambodia, 6 p.m.
U.S.A., Canada, 6 p.m.

From H. King Wood

AUSTRALIAN NEWSLETTER

Sydney, (By Airmail).

A bomb of a particularly explosive nature was thrown into the political arena last week......a bomb that concerned the doings of our police force.

Kicks at the police are a hardy old annual and like an annual, they usually bloom for a couple of weeks then die away. The Government, perhaps, is always wise in refusing an inquiry, because the airing of grievances could do the force more harm than good.

This time, however, it is a little different, because the bomb-thrower is a 73-year white-headed old lady, Mrs Gertrude Melville, a member of the Upper House, a member of the Labour Party for well over half a century and not even her most bitterest enemy — if she has one—could truthfully say that she has any axe to grind in making her rather damning charges against the police.

She—and others now—have charged the police with murder, extortion and intimidation and the Premier hasn't helped the situation much by making a statement that if specific charges are laid they will be investigated.

When a member of Parliament — and a Government party member, moreover—charges a police with murder, most people seem to have the idea that the charge is pretty pointed, anyway.

Mrs Melville, known as the "grand old lady of the Labour Party" was a member of the ALP State Executive before most of the present Labour politicians were elected. She was appointed a Justice of the peace in 1917, and in 1923 was the first woman selected by the Labour Party to contest a Parliamentary seat—unsuccessfully.

Before her election to the Upper House she was for eight years an alderman of Liverpool Municipal Council and has been President of the Labour Party Women's Central Organising Committee for many years—a woman, in short, who has had sufficient experience in public affairs not to make serious charges just for the sake of it.

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A record number of 239 foreign companies registered in NSW last year according to the Premier, Mr Cahill.

Nominal capital of the companies increased from £41,730,881 to £80,518,980.

The registrations included 23 companies with a nominal capital of more than £1 million.

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For some strange reasons Australians are hoarding millions of bank notes, and there is £85,210 out in notes that will never be recovered.

This is made up of £20, £50 and £100 notes which were declared out of circulation during the war.

The idea then was to stop blackmarketing. Holders of such notes were given so many weeks to bring them in, but £85-thousand odd never turned up, maybe the holders being frightened of the questions which the tax boys may have asked.

It's the unlikely people who have the cash.

An elderly cleaner last week reported that £1,710 had been stolen from his room; last year a hospital nurse found £665 hidden in a pocket of a ragged suit of a "pauper" who died in the hospital — and he also had a bank book showing a balance of more than £2,000.

After Clarence Boot died in Melbourne last year £587 in £1 and 10/ notes was found in his room—and more than £5,000 in 2/- pieces. These were in a chest and one gallon petrol cans.

Miss Miriam Cohen, a down-at-heel old lady in a Sydney suburb, had £23,000 in £1 and £5 notes in her house when she died. Mainly she used saucepans to hold her wealth.

A near-starving rabbit trapper has just died in Perth leaving a will disclosing more than £4,000.

For the most part, however, Australians find it hard to hoard a pound for any length of time.

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Mr Tom Payne, one of Brisbane's top public servants retired last week, and at his farewell party had a good story to tell against the service.

A public servant asked at a marriage bureau for the photos of all eligible women. He picked an extremely attractive looking blonde.

"Sorry," said the cove in charge, "you'll have to take this elderly, stringy-looking old duck. She has seniority."

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The coils of rage you may have heard last week were from New Zealanders living in Sydney who were just recovering from the blow handed out to them by Mr W. C. Wentworth, MP, who had suggested that New Zealand should become part of the Australian Commonwealth.

You will be consoled to know that it is not the first suggestion made by friend Bill that has caused a laugh.

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Last week we reported the death of The Man in the Green Hat, who in a few short weeks shook the Melbourne betting ring.

Now the death is announced of "Diamond Jack" of Broome. "Diamond Jack" John Palmer—made world headlines in 1942 when sailing towards Broome in his lugger, he saw the wreckage of a Dakota on a beach. It had been shot down by "Japs." Alongside the aircraft he found dozens of diamonds worth £60,000.

Later natives in the area were also found with diamonds in their possession, and Palmer admitted to military authorities —to whom he had turned over 40 uncut diamonds — that he had given some away.

He was charged with having stolen £30,000 worth of diamonds, but acquitted.

The diamonds were being flown from Java to Melbourne for safe keeping.

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Money is tightening.... Almost a million fewer 5/6 lottery tickets were sold for the year that ended June 30.

The three £5 Opera House Lotteries are blamed for the decline, but even so, lottery takings were down by £369,173 compared with the previous year.

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The late Mr Justice Roper, who was the Probate Judge, provided a lesson in law for lawyers in his will this week. It was one of the shortest on record in Australia. In one sentence he disposed of his estate of £21,083.

A legal observer said later that the will tended to show that legal jargon was not necessary in these documents.

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Nature seems to have "lifted the plug" again beneath Australia's most mysterious lake—Lake George, Near Canberra.

A brown stretch of shallow water more than 16 miles long and four miles wide, the lake has completely dried up four times since it was discovered last century.

Now, after 10 years as a yachting and fishing rendezvous, it is dwindling in spite of the recent rains.

It has already fallen three feet —a big drop for a lake only 15 feet deep.

The waterline has retreated more than 100 yards around its edge, uncovering 1,000 acres of pasture land.

Local farmers are turning their sheep out to graze on grass-covered land which for years has been under water.

Nobody knows for certain why this lake appears and disappears.

A popular theory is that earth tremors, which are often felt in the district, open fissures below its bed so that the water drains into underground rivers which run into the Great Artesian Basin of Australia.

When the lake was discovered in 1820 it was described as "a vast sheet of water, stretching southwards as far as the eye could see, whose billows were rolling in upon the foothills as the veritable billows of the ocean—if it were not part of the Pacific itself."

But a few years later it was a plain of waving grass.

Despite its placid appearance, the lake is a killer.

In the past two years 10 people have drowned there.

Five of them were young Duntroon cadets who died after their VI sailing boats and a collapsible crash boat overturned —less than a hundred yards from shore.

It was too far in the freezing, current-fractured waters. The lake took them.

Earlier this year a family of five drowned when their motor boat was swamped by waves which sprang up from the calm surfaces.

Being shallow, it gets very rough very quickly, is choppy and treacherous, the wind comes down like lightning, and you have a high sea running before you know where you are.

Lake George today is still beautiful.

Black swans, pelicans and wild ducks shelter in its coves and inlets.

Once it was swollen with big, fat Murray 'cod. Some have managed to escape the fishermen, and trout have been introduced. Local youngsters catch the masses of crayfish which burrow there.

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Four knights attended the annual dinner of the Fort Street Old Boys' Union this week.

A fifth sent an apology for his absence.

All are old boys of Fort Street Boys' High School.

The four knights at the dinner were Sir Pency Spender, Sir Garfield Barwick, Major-General Sir George Wootten and Sir Bertram Stevens.

Sir Douglas Mawson and the Leader of the Opposition (Dr H. V. Evatt) sent apologies.

Sir Percy Spender was guest of honour.

Eddie And Debbie Admit It

Hollywood, Sept. 9.

Eddie Fisher and Debbie Reynolds admitted today they were having marital trouble.

After a four-hour conference together Debbie and Eddie, once considered movieland's "ideal" couple said, "we are having a misunderstanding, and we hope to work it out."

Friends and gossips on both coasts were surprised when Fisher, a close friend of the late Mike Todd and best man at his wedding to Miss Taylor, squired the actress to several night clubs.

Reports of their skylarking moved Debbie to announce that all three "are very close friends. There is nothing to the romantic rumours at all."—U.P.I.

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'Unparalleled Persecution'

Vatican City, Sept. 9.

The Vatican City newspaper Osservatore Romano said tonight the Catholic Church in China was undergoing a persecution unparalleled in the darkest ages of history.

Osservatore said that in recent years the Communists in Russia and all satellite nations had been forcing Catholics to join "progressive" organisations which "with the pretext of peace or economic welfare became willing and obedient tools of the policies of Communism."

"In China, the effort has been paroxysmal and the means used horrible," Osservatore said. "The offence to the dignity of the human person has no precedents even in pre-Christian centuries." —U.P.I.

RAINIER SAYS NO TO LADY DOCKER

London, Sept. 9.

Sir Bernard Docker, British industralist, said in London today that a request by Lady Docker to visit Juan les Pins to see her son Lance take part in water-skiing championships had been refused by Prince Rainier of Monaco.

Sir Bernard and Lady Docker were banned from Monaco after Lady Docker tore up a Paper replica of the Monegasque flag.

Under a reciprocal treaty with France the ban automatically extends to three provinces in southern France surrounding the principality.

Lance, Sir Bernard Docker's stepson, is competing for Britain in the championships next weekend. He flew to Juan les Pins last Sunday.

Sir Bernard Docker said today that this lawyer had made application to Prince Rainier asking him to lift the ban on Lady Docker for the four days of the competition. She intended going straight to Juan les Pins to watch the events and to return home immediately afterwards.—China Mail Special.

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An End Of Term Tradition

Bristol, Sept. 9.

A 14-year-old boy told a juvenile court it was a tradition to celebrate the breaking up for the school holidays by breaking all the school windows.

Police said a crowd of boys stoned the windows, smashing 167 panes costing together about £80.

The 14-year-old boy and two other boys who admitted causing damage worth about £13 were conditionally discharged for 12 months. They were ordered to pay for the damage they had caused.—China Mail Special.

The Cinema Becomes A 'Smellima'

New York, Sept. 9.

A perfume company announced today it is making movies that smell.

The first full-length aromatic movie will be released on March 26, with a different scent for the mood of each scene.

Rhodia, Inc., an aromatics-producing firm, said the first movie, titled "Screen Scent No. 1" will be a kaleidoscope of comedy, drama and travelogue with no definite plot, but with plenty of scent.

Fragrances will be shipped pre-packed, for easy installation into the air conditioning systems of theatres showing the film. An electronic apparatus attached to film projectors sets off a spray of fragrance synchronised with each scene on the screen.—U.P.I.

JAPAN WILL CAPTURE TOY MARKET

New York, Sept. 9.

Mr Louis Marx, one of the world's leading toy manufacturers arrived today aboard the liner Queen Elizabeth after a world tour that included a trip to Japan, and declared that the Japanese toy industry would soon capture the entire world market for cheaper toys.

"They have 50 per cent of the market now," Mr Marx told reporters. "In two years it will be 80 per cent we just cannot compete with the things they can do at their prices."—Reuter.

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NEW MUSICAL BY COWARD

New York, Sept. 9.

Noel Coward arrived on the liner Queen Elizabeth today to spend one week in New York before going to his home in Bermuda, where he plans to stay two months while he writes a new musical and a ballet.

Coward said the ballet was being written for the London Festival Ballet next spring.—U.P.I.

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A Mother's Concern

Toulouse, Sept. 9.

The oldest living Frenchwoman, 105-year-old Mme Louis Blanc, arrived here from Paris last night on the first plane ride of her life, accompanied by her 81-year-old daughter, Lea.

Mme. blanc said the only concern she had felt was for the comfort of "my little girl" who "isn't used to travelling."—U.P.I.

• BY • THE • WAY •

by Beachcomber

TODAY, the Feast of the Assumption, they will be dancing and making merry in the Pyrenean valley of Ossau. The Ossalois wear their traditional costume—scarlet and black capes for the women. The music for the dancing is supplied by a queer sort of flute and another instrument with six strings, which produces a grave and even mournful sound. The stately dances are not a show put on for travellers, but the customary way of making holiday. Mention my name to any herdsman under the Col des Moines, or any other of the passes, and you will be given the freedom of Bearn, and probably elected Mayor of Laruns. More than that I cannot promise.

Mere gossip

AT a frightfully smart dinner party the other day a wealthy share-shuffler's braces burst asunder. While unwilling hands strove to arrest the falling breeches, the hostess, who was greedy for her dinner, shouted: "What's holding things up?" "Not his braces, anyway," replied a vulgarian.

What on earth?

"It's all *too* **up to date, too nuclear."**

THESE words, uttered by a lady who was being shown round an air-conditioned tyre factory, reduced the authorities to silence. After a long pause, one of them said: "Nuclear? In what way?" "Oh, in *every* way," said the lady. "It's all too *marvellously* space-age. Can they go to the moon?" "Not from here," replied a testy old director. "What a pity," said the lady. "But then, I always say one can't have everything, can one?"

My good deed

AN excited voice over the telephone asked: "Have you sent that fish?" "It went off," said I, "an hour ago." "Well, it hasn't arrived," snapped the voice. "That is understandable," said I. "I sent it to someone who needed it more than you." There was a pause. Then the voice said coldly: "To whom am I speaking?" "Admiral Clay," said I. "Who?" "Admiral Clay." I was then violently disconnected.

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HOW many words of four letters or more can you make from the letters in the square on the left? In making each word, the letters in each of the small squares may be used once only. Each word *must* contain the large letter in the centre square, and there *must* be at least one nine-letter word in the list. No plurals; no foreign words; no proper names. TODAY'S TARGET: 14 words, *good*; 17 words, *very good*; 20 words, *excellent*. Solution tomorrow.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION: Adry adult aloud alow [illegible] arty awry dart [illegible] draw drawl dray dual lady lard [illegible] laud layout lead [illegible] oral outlaw outlawry outlay outward OUTWARDLY road rota royal tardy tawdry toad toady today torula toward trawl tray tula udal ultra word wart warty wary waul woad yard yawl yaourt.

BRILLIANT ENSEMBLE PLAYING

By D. E. Gray

LAST night at Loke Yew Hall, two young musicians held an audience enthralled for two hours, by their masterly playing. These young players — Alan Grishman, violinist, and Joel Ryce, pianist, combined a youthful vigor with a mature musicianship to bring about as fine a bit of sensitive ensemble playing as I have ever experienced.

The opening sonata was the Beethoven in D major, Op. 12 No. 1. This was an eminently suitable starting number, since it gave the players an opportunity to warm up for the more demanding works which followed. This is one of Beethoven's earlier works, full of melody and charm, and this young team did it full justice.

The last movement, the Rondo, was taken at a very fast pace, faster than I have ever heard it played. However, this may well have been an accurate interpretation of Beethoven's intention. In any event it was a musicianly performance, and an excellent beginning.

Alan Grishman followed with the Hindemith Solo Sonata for Unaccompanied Violin. This gave the young artist scope for his remarkable technique-quite a display of gymnastics. However, I must confess that the musicality of this Sonata, if such there be, passed me by—completely. The programme notes report it 'is an unfamiliar and unpublished work'. I'm not at all surprised at its failure to find a publisher.

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Joel Ryce then delighted the audience with Debussy's Suite Pour Le Piano. The simplicity of this music's rhythms and texture enabled Ryce to give a vigorous performance combined with his gentle touch, producing soft nuances of sound.

After the interval came the major work of the evening, the well-known Franck Sonata in A major. This is Franck's only Sonata for the violin and piano, but it is a glorious one. Grishman and Ryce gave this sonata a masterly treatment — an impeccable performance of sensitive chamber playing, demonstrating their excellent musicianship and maturity of interpretation.

These young musicians brought a freshness to their performance which added zest to everything they played, and when coupled with their excellent musicianship and interpretation resulted in very fine ensemble playing.

This was chamber music playing of a very high order and we owe our thanks to the Music Society for bringing these brilliant young artists to the colony.

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COMMENT FROM OTHER NEWSPAPERS

A GIANT STRIDE

Commenting on Britain's first successful test firing of a Black Knight rocket, the right-wing London Daily Express asked:

"Why did we muffle the big bang?

"It is a triumph for British science and engineering. But instead of beating the drums officialdom reacts with lamentable feebleness.

"Mr Aubrey Jones, the Minister of Supply, is to blame for this miserable failure.

"A chance to exploit a fine victory has been cast away. Britain has taken a giant stride towards the space age. Why did poor Mr Jones try to muffle the rejoicing?"

The Daily Telegraph (Conservative) editorial commented: "Even now the Ministry of Supply has released no more details than the size of the rocket, the type of performance for which it was designed and the kind of information which it will supply.

"We still know little about the test itself. No doubt this is good policy. The Soviet Union never announces tests in this field, only complete successes.

"The United States has, perhaps undeservedly lost some international prestige by inviting the press and foreign observers to view tests which have turned out to be failures."—Reuter.

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FILMS

ROXY & BROADWAY: "A Certain Smile" — Sagan's story with Rossano Brazzi, Joan Fontaine, Johnny Mathis, Christine Carere.

KING'S & PRINCESS: "Curse of the Demon"—a horror film set in Stonehenge starring Dana Andrews and Peggy Cummins.

LEE & ASTOR: "Black Patch" a western starring George Montgomery.

LEE: Gala Premiere of "The Wind Cannot Read."

HOOVER & PARAMOUNT: "Dunkirk" with John Mills and Richard Attenborough.

STAR & METROPOLE: "Summer Madness" a reissue starring Katharine Hepburn and Rossano Brazzi.

ORIENTAL: "The Sheepman" with Glenn Ford, Shirley MacLaine.

MAJESTIC: "The Green Glove" with Glenn Ford.

CAPITOL: "The Monolith Monsters" starring Grant Williams, Lola Albright.

RITZ: "Sayonara" with Marlon Brando, Miiko Taka.

NIGHT SPOTS

AMBASSADOR: Cony Francisco & His Band, Joan Locke & Anne Brazil, vocalists.

CARLTON HOTEL: Mario Francisco & His Combo.

BLUE HEAVEN: The Conty Girls in "Midnight Follies of 1958"—10.30 and 1.15 a.m. Bing Rodrigues and His Band, and Estela, vocalist.

CHAMPAGNE RESTAURANT: Ising Gachallan and his Latino Americana Band and vocalists Doris Lanz, Dik Wah Pan & Thomas Chung.

GOLDEN PHOENIX: Freddie Abraham and his Rhythm Rockets with Grace Archer, vocalist.

MAJESTIC: Rudas Dancers, Tony Arevalo & His Caballeros.

PARAMOUNT: The Fabulous Rudas Dancers, Gianderio & his Italian Combo. Pilita Corrales, vocalist. Larry Allen, pianist.

PRINCESS GARDEN: The Conty Girls in "Midnight Follies of 1958"—12 p.m.

RADIO HONGKONG

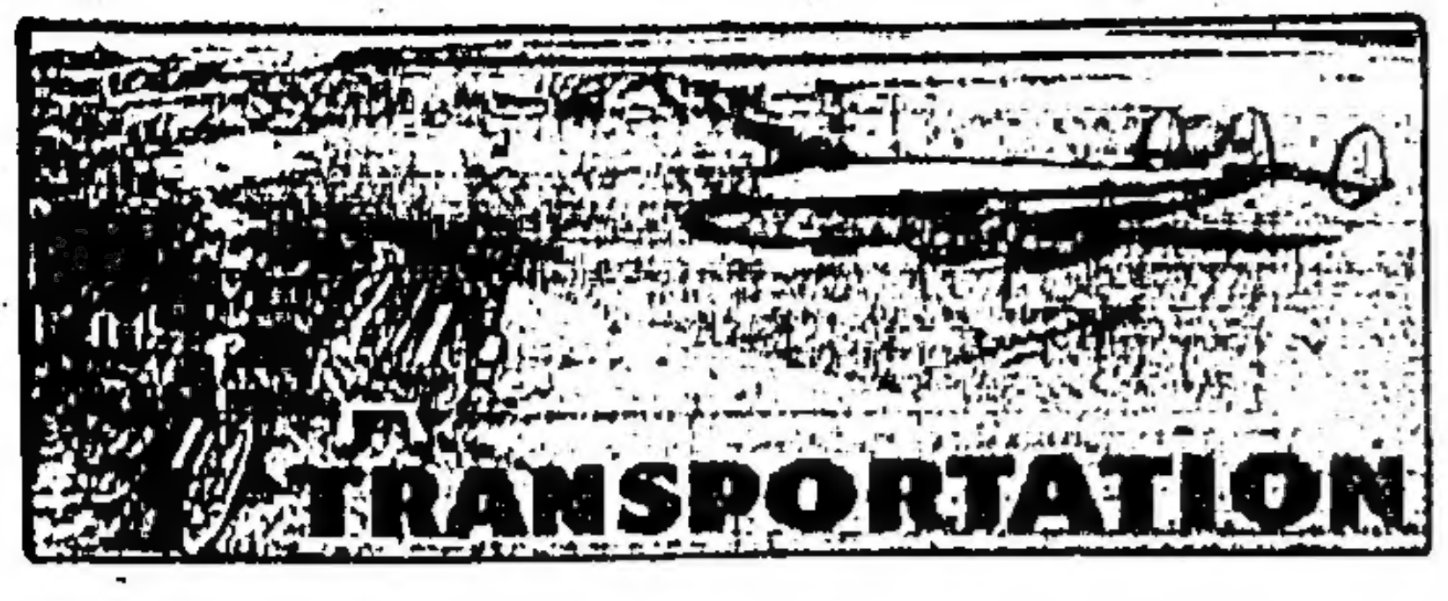
5.30 p.m., Evening Serenade; 6, Time Signal. Lucky Dip—Listeners Requests presented by Margherita; 7, Song Recital by Nan Merriman (Mezzo-Sop) & Clara Petraglia (Vocal) (with Guitar) & Luigi Infantino (Ten); 7.30, Time For Jazz; 7.55, Weather Report; 8, Time Signal. The News; 8.10, Commentary; 8.15, Patch Work; 9, Time Signal. Wednesday Theatre "Mistress of the House"; 9.55 Weather Report; 10, Time Signal. The News & Home News From Britain; 10.15, Juke Box; 10.55, Weather Report; 11, Time Signal, Radio Newsreel; 11.15, Piano Recital by Wilhelm Kempff; 11.30, Close Down.

REDIFFUSION

3 p.m., Wednesday Concert—"Peacock Variations" by Kodaly, "Piano Concerto No. 2" by Rachmaninoff; 4, Tea For Two; 4.30, Strictly Instrumental; 5, Children's Corner—Presented by Auntie Ray; 5.30, Wednesday Requests—Presented by Nick Kendall; 6, Melachrino Musicale; 6.15, "The Padre Calls— Religion in Daily Life—The Rev. C.J.H.W. A. Bradley; 6.28, Birthday Mailbag; 6.30, Music By Sidney Torch; 6.45, Dick Jurgens Show; 7, Presenting Inspector West; 7.15, Evening Serenade; 7.30, Billy May and his Orchestra; 7.45, "My Other Love"; 8, Time Signal and News; 8.09, Weather Forecast, Announcements and Interlude; 8.15, Tops In Popular Music Presented by Nick Kendall; 8.30, Diamond Music Show; 9, Deadly Nightshade; 9.15, Digit A Day; 9.30, Thirty Minute Theatre—"The Bet" By Miles Malleson, Based On A Short Story by Anton Tchekov; 10, Edmundo Ros and His Orchestra; 10.30, Men Behind The Melody—Songs Of Otto Harbach; 11, Date With Dreamland; 11.30, Prelude To Midnight; 12 Midnight, Close Down.

TELEVISION

5 p.m., Children's Hour—Cartoons; 5.15, "Handicraft Corner" Introduced by Grace Tang; 5.30, "The Adventures of Kit Carson"; 6, Close Down. 7.30, Alfred Hitchcock Presents "The Hidden Thing" (First Televised Feb. 1, 1956); 7.55, British Television News; 8.05, "Adventures of Tugboat Annie"; 8.30, Douglas Fairbanks Presents "Goodbye Tomorrow"; 9, Newsreel; 9.15, "Digit-A-Day"; 9.25, [illegible] Feature—"The Orphan"; 11, Late Night Final. Close Down.



JET PASSENGERS TO TRAVEL IN REAL COMFORT

TRANS-ATLANTIC jet flights operating from New York to London in 6½ hours will set new standards not only in speed but in comfort when Pan American Airways opens the Jet Age this autumn.

As a result of years of research started at the end of World War II passengers will have the advantage of smooth, relaxing flight almost eight miles above the earth while travelling at 575 miles per hour.

Engineers and designers have built into the Jet Clippers new passenger conveniences but two of the major advantages of this new age of travel are inherent in jet flight—smoothness and lack of vibration.

The Jet Clippers will operate at altitudes of up to 40,000 feet where there seldom are thunderheads and other clouds which in the past have taken some of the velvet out of velocity. Occasional clouds do rise to these altitudes in "pillars," but these "pillars" are easily detected by radar and avoided, eliminating completely the "bumps" sometimes encountered in piston-engine flight.

Introduction of jet aircraft will also mean the elimination of the vibration caused by the propellers on even the most advanced piston-engined airliners and which has left passengers fatigued at the end of a long flight.

During demonstration flights of the Jet Clippers it has become common practice to balance a coin on edge on the arm of a seat to show the lack of vibration in the passenger cabin.

The combination of jet engines and advanced soundproofing methods have also produced a quiet airliner. When the Jet Clippers reach cruising altitude, the forward passenger compartment is almost silent and the noise level in the rear of the aircraft is no higher than current piston-engined airplanes.

VIBRATIONLESS

Given a quiet, vibrationless aircraft, Pan American engineers and designers went to work to turn it into a hundred-windowed, jet-propelled living room, equipped and decorated for passenger comfort and convenience.

This huge living room is decorated in a pleasing, eye-resting colour scheme of blue and grey pastels and equipped with chairs designed for complete relaxation whether in the upright position or reclining, with more than adequate elbow room.

Some Jet Clippers will be flown in dual service with luxury class passengers seated in the forward section where a comfortable lounge occupies space just aft of the flight dock.

As in the past Pan American's Clippers will be kept spotless and the jets have an added means of accomplishing this. The coloured panels lining the walls of the passenger cabin can be easily removed, cleaned and replaced in a short time.

INNOVATIONS

One of the most striking innovations of the Boeing 707 Jet Clipper is the installation of passenger service pods situated above each row of seats. Spotlights in the pods supply the correct amount of reading light for each passenger. Individual signs show seat belt instructions and amplifiers in each unit take the "public" out of the conventional public address systems. The individual amplifiers will quietly broadcast music played intermittently from specially made tape recordings, as well as captains' reports on flight progress, altitude changes and local weather conditions on arrival.

Air conditioning and pressurisation have achieved a new simplicity and efficiency with the Jet Clippers. Before departure time, automatic controls are set and without any further adjustment optimum temperature, humidity and air pressure, simulating low altitudes, are maintained.

The years of planning have produced an aircraft with which Pan American will bring the United States into the Jet Age, an age which will not only see the world shrunk by 40 per cent, but as a result of this comfortable, high-speed travel, may see great advances in universal co-operation and understanding.

BOAC's COMET 2E ENDS PROGRAMME

WITH the return to London Airport of the B.O.A.C. Comet 2E on Wednesday, July 23, the Corporation ended its programme of development and training flights with this aircraft.

The aircraft has been used for preparatory development work for the Comet 4, which is likely to enter commercial service with BOAC, later this year, as two of its four jet engines are Avon 524s, of the type which will power the Comet 4. A programme of 3,500 hours on this engine was successfully completed on schedule in June.

The Comet 2E began the first phase of its work with BOAC., by a series of flights between London and Beirut from September 16 1957. The round trip of 4,500 miles was completed in 12¾ hours, including one hour on the ground at Beirut, and with the help of a Ministry of Supply Comet 2E, also operated by the Corporation, a total of 11 flights a week were made on this route. Towards the end of that phase some flights were made to Nairobi. The Ministry of Supply aircraft was returned to the Ministry on June 2.

SECOND PHASE

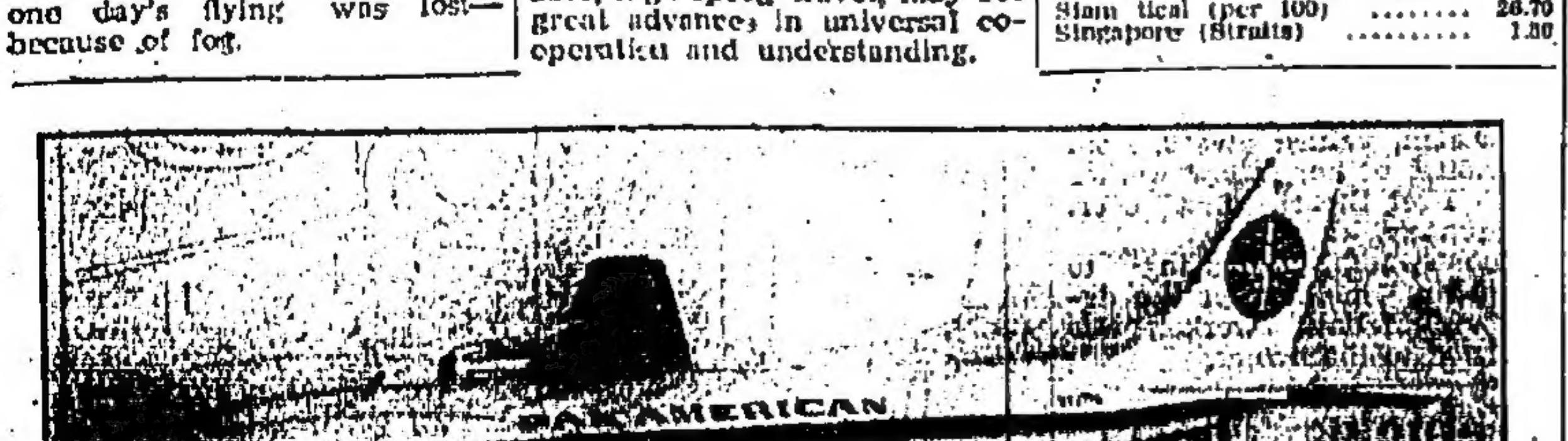
The second phase, involving North Atlantic operations, started on May 5 and initially 10 return flights were made between London and Gander (Newfoundland) to give experience in command to captains chosen for possible Atlantic services. The round trip took a total of 12¾ hours flying time and a stop was made at Keflavik (Iceland) on the westbound journey.

Later there were more flights to Gander, which was then used as a base for local flying to possible alternate airports on the North American Maritime Coast, including Moncton (New Brunswick), Sydney (Nova Scotia), Goose Bay (Labrador) and Stephenville (Newfoundland).

Latterly an airport familiarisation programme was carried out, including instrument approaches and touch downs at other Canadian and American airports, among them Idlewild, New York.

On one occasion, aided by tail winds, the Comet 2E covered the 2,400 miles between Gander and London in four hours, 22 minutes —an average speed of 537 m.p.h. For a short period the aircraft's ground speed reached 750 m.p.h., one of the highest speeds ever reached by a civil airliner.

During this programme, between September 16, 1957 and July 23, 1958, the two Comet 2E aircraft flew a total of 3,725 hours. There was only one unscheduled engine change, made because of a fault in a subsidiary unit. When the engines were stripped down they were found to be free of trouble. Only one day's flying was lost—because of fog.



PAA's new Boeing-707 Jet Clipper.—PAA Photo.

CHATTER ON WALL STREET

New York, Sept. 9.

The dilemma at the moment is that with important Treasury refunding ahead there is a greater likelihood that short term securities will be used and thus credit restrictions are equally likely to be rather light and of short duration — E. F. Hutton & Co.

Any economic pressure which would tend to bring about a better balance between a dwindling supply of securities and the volume of funds seeking investment could mean a drop in prices — Alexander Hamilton Institute.

Background

The improving economic and business background should provide a measure of stimulus unchanged — Van Alstyne, Noel & Co.

Breadth-of-the-market action on volume does not appear particularly ominous—Walston & Co.

Five stocks with prospects of a faster than average rate of recovery once their respective industries turn the corner include Baltimore & Ohio, Philco, Allied Laboratories, and Square Shearson-Hammill & Co.

Columbia Broadcasting net for 1958 estimated to make favourable showing 2.82 last year—Harris, Upham & Co.

Commitments

—Moderate commitments— in low-priced. Carefully selected stocks appear warranted—Spear Newletter.

Modernisation and expansion of facilities should selected stocks better operating results for Detroit Steell-Investors Advisory Service.

Inflation psychology is still rampant in the minds of investors and hence in the securities markets but is not particularly evident in other sectors of the economy—Reynolds & Co.—U.P.I.

Undertone Firm In London

London, Sept. 9.

It was account day on the stock exchange today and markets were somewhat restricted but the undertone was firm.

The Far Eastern situation caused investors to hesitate. But the gilt-edged market after a hesitant start struggled up and gains of 1/16 were held. This market gained some encouragement from the news of a fall in the United States Treasury bill rate.

There was little movement in foreign bonds and Trans-Atlantic stocks reflected yesterday's fresh rise on Wall Street. There were slight gains in the industrial markets and several good features were seen.

GREAT SHOCK

Shipping shares received a great shock when it was announced that the Reardon Smith Line, the blue chip of the tramp shipping companies, was not paying an interim dividend for the first time in 23 years.

Stores were the liveliest market today on the news that retail sales in July showed their first significant increase of the year.

Gold shares eased and continued dull in the absence of support.

Coppers were neglected and little changed but tins were distinctly dull.

Oils were irregular.—U.P.I.

Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local unofficial exchange market this morning at the following rates:—

U.S. dollar (per $1)	5.80
Sterling notes (per £1)	16.05
Australian notes (per £1)	12.63
Indonesian rupiah (per 100)	8.70
Siam tical (per 100)	26.70
Singapore (Straits)	1.80

New Sign On Road To American Economic Recovery

By MERRIMAN SMITH

Washington, Sept. 9.

The Government today posted a new sign on the road to economic recovery. It said the decline in business spending for new plants and equipment has stopped and increased investments are expected this autumn.

Quarterly estimates on capital expenditures are among the nation's prime economic indicators. Today's figures supported other evidence that the anticipated upward movement of the economy soon may be discernible.

Business executives across the country during the last two months filed with the Commerce Department and the Securities & Exchange Commission plans for plant and equipment spending in the last half of this year.

Moderate Rise

The Government report on these said: "Businessmen anticipated capital outlays in the third quarter at the same seasonally adjusted rate as in the second quarter—$30,320,000,000 and expect a moderate rise to $31 billion in the final three months of this year."

Federal experts, however, held some reservations toward the estimates. Since the recession started about a year ago, quarterly anticipations generally have run somewhat higher than actual expenditures. Another bridle on their over-optimism was the small size of the anticipated fourth quarter increase.

The strongest factor in the new estimates appeared to be that the sharp slide in new plant and equipment investment had been arrested and the government looked to upward movement in the late autumn and early winter.

If the programmes now anticipated for the rest of the year are put into operation, expenditures for new plants and equipment for the full calendar year will run about $31 billion, a sharp, recession-produced drop of 16 per cent from the record of $37 billion in 1957.

Was Lower

If the projected total for 1958 is realised, it will be about one billion dollars under the figure anticipated in the regular annual survey last March. The reason for this is that spending by most major industries was lower than originally expected.

The downward trend of plant expenditures from actual figures for 1957 to the 12-months estimate for 1958 showed up more sharply in the railroad industry—down 46 per cent. Manufacturing in general was off 25 per cent—from actual spending of $15,959,000,000 in 1957 to the full-year estimate of $12,028,000,000 this year.

The only increase over last year was reported by the utility industry—an anticipated increase of one per cent this year over last. New production facilities for durable goods, one of the hardest hit segments of the economy, were slowed appreciably. The drop in new plant investment was 28 per cent—from $8,022,000,000 in 1957 to an expected $5,779,000,000 this year.—U.P.I.

American Unemployment Figure

Washington, Sept. 9.

The Government reported today that unemployment declined to 4,699,000 in August, but still was at the highest season level since the end of World War II.

It said August employment hit a seasonal high of 65,400,000 for the year but was about 2,000,000 below the August rate of a year ago.

The figures were compiled jointly by the Commerce and Labour Departments. The report said the decline in unemployment from July to August—a total of 600,000—was due primarily to students withdrawing from the labour market.

The Government said the adjusted rate of unemployment for August was 7.6 per cent of the total available working force. With the exception of the so-called "freak period" during a coal strike in 1949, this was the highest seasonally adjusted unemployment percentage since the end of the war.—U.P.I.

AUSTRALIAN WOOL MARKET

Newcastle, Sept. 9.

The wool market ruled par to two and a half per cent higher in merino wools on the opening day today of the 1958/59 wool sales series.

Comebacks and crossbreds remained firm with better style wools showing greatest appreciation.—U.P.I.

WALL STREET NEARLY REACHES NEW RECORD

New York, Sept. 9.

The stock market came within a shade of setting a new record high today with the leadership centring on the highest grade stocks in the nation.

When the market got into the rarefied atmosphere of early 1956 a considerable amount of profit-taking developed which brought prices down from the top most levels. But the close was higher all around.

At the peaks the net gains ranged to more than three points in the main list. The high-priced office equipments were up about eight points in International Business Machines and Adressograph-Multigraph.

The Strongest

Steel shares proved the strongest group even after realising set in. The motors had one of their best days in recent sessions. Chemicals ran up sharply. Buying lifted metals, liquors, drugs, tobaccos, some of the tyres, televisions, and special issues. Rails enjoyed a good market and so did the oils. The latter, however, were among the first to turn irregular on realising.

Dow-Jones closing averages were:

30 industrials	518.64
20 rails	132.54
15 utilities	79.60
65 stocks	177.29
40 bonds	87.34
Comm. future price index	151.97

Closing Prices

Alden Inc. Acy.	$ 10¼
Allied Chemicals	88½
Allis Chalmers	27
American Airline	21⅞
Amer. & Forgn. Power	17
American Metal	24⅛
American Smelting	44¼
American Tel & Tel	188
American Tob. "B"	87½
Anaconda Copper	51
Armco Steel	58⅜
Armour	18⅞
Atlas Cons. Mining	10¼
Baltimore & Ohio	38⅞
Benguet Cons.	1⅛
Bethlehem Steel	46⅝
Canadian Pacific R.	28⅜
Chrysler Motors	54⅝
Colgate Palmolive Co.	82¾
Commercial Credit	57⅞
Commonwealth Elec.	31⅜
Consolidated Edison	54⅞
Crown Zellerbach	50
Cuban Amer. Sugar	33½
Diamond Alkali	41¾
Dupont de Nemours	199
Eastern Airline	38¼
Eastman Kodak	130⅜
Ford Motor	42⅞
General Electric	66
General Foods	70
General Motors	48
Getty Oil	20⅜
Glidden Co.	38⅛
Goodyear Tyre	94
Gulf Oil	110⅝
Heyden Newport Corp.	18
Ingersoll-Rand	104⅛
Int'l Business Machines	383
Int'l Harvester	38
International Nickel	83⅜
Int'l Tel & Tel	43½
Kennecott Copper	92
Lockheed Aircraft	53⅞
Loews Incorp.	20¼
Lone Star Cement Co.	37⅞
Minnesota Mining	77¼
Mission Development	22⅜
Montgomery Ward	38⅞
National Cash Reg. "A"	72⅞
National Lead	104⅛
New York Central	18¾
Olin Mathieson	36⅝
Otis Elevators	57⅞
Pacific Gas & Elec.	56½
Pan American Airways	18¾
Paramount Pictures	42⅞
Parke Davis Co.	94⅞
Penn. Salt Co.	67½
Pittsburgh Plate Glass	90¼
Radio Corporation	38½
Republic Steel	58⅜
Reynolds Metal	53⅝
Sinclair Oil	59¾
Socony Mobiloil	47⅛
Standard Brands	51⅞
Standard Oil of Cal.	51⅛
Standard Oil of Ind.	47¾
Standard Oil of N.J.	55⅝
Steep Rock (Toronto Exge.)	12⅝
Sterling Drug Co.	39
Stokely-Van Camp	15xd
Studebaker-Packard Corp.	7⅜
Swift & Co.	37½
Texas Co.	71
Union Carbide	100⅛
Union Pacific Railway	29⅞
United Aircraft	63⅞
U.S. Gypsum	88
U.S. Rubber	41¾
U.S. Smelting	33¼
U.S. Steel	70
Warner Bros.	21¼
Westinghouse Electric	63⅛
Woolworth	48¾

—U.P.I.

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

Our Own Correspondent

Business done on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to approximately $304,000. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions were:

Shares	Buyers	Sellers	Sales
BANKS			
HK Bank	740	750	
INSURANCES			
Lombard	28		
Union		74	
SHIPPING			
Wheelock	5.75	5.85	
DOCKS, ETC.			
K. Wharf		100	
Dock	42¼	42¾	200 @ 42½
Provident	11.20	11.40	
LAND, ETC.			
HK Hotel	20.20	20.30	1000 @ 20.10 500 @ 20.30
HK Land	30¾	31	1000 @ 30½ 1020 @ 30.75
Realty	1.35		
RUBBER			
Amalit	1.525		
Trust	1.325		
A. Tawah	2.170		
Sungala	1.60		
UTILITIES			
Tram	24.60	24.80	150 @ 24.70 50 @ 24.60
Star Ferry		110	
Yaumati	93½	95	
C. Light	17.20	17.30	500 @ 17.30 1,200 @ 17.20 1,000 @ 17.30
Elec. X.All	24.20		500 @ 24.30 142 @ 24.30
Macao E.	9		
Telephone	25.30	25½	300 @ 25.33 100 @ 25.30 1,000 @ 25.40 288 @ 25.40 500 @ 25.40
INDUSTRIALS			
Cement		21.60	750 @ 21½ 250 @ 21½
Rope			1 @ 13½
STORES, ETC.			
Dairy	17.10	17.20	200 @ 17.10 150 @ 17.20 500 @ 17.10 200 @ 17.10
Watson	10½	10.90	
L. Craw.	13		
Kwong S. H.			10 @ 150
COTTONS			
Textile	3.60	3.80	
Nanyung	6.80	7	
INVESTMENTS			
Yangtsze XD	5.15	5.30	
Allied	4	4.10	

London Silver Prices

London, Sept. 9.

The price of silver was again strong today, with spot being quoted at 76 pence and forward 75¾ pence (against yesterday's 75¾ and 75½ respectively.)—U.P.I.

MONTREAL TRADE MEETING

London, Sept. 9.

A possible outcome of the Commonwealth trade and economic conference, opening at Montreal on Monday, was the establishment of a more formal organisation for inter-commonwealth consultations on economic questions, usually well-informed sources said here today.

The main purpose of the conference, however, would be to promote economic and international trade expansion which was of particular importance in view of the threat of a recession, the sources said.

Another talking point at the conference would be whether a Commonwealth bank should be set up.

THE ASPECTS

The Montreal talks are expected to cover these economic, financial and trading aspects:

★ 1. The significance for Commonwealth countries of changes taking place in world trade.

★ 2. Measures to expand trade between Commonwealth countries.

★ 3. Progress towards the common objective of freer trade and payments.

★ 4. Economic expansion in the industrially less developed Commonwealth and empire lands.

★ 5. Problems of agriculture and other forms of primary production.

★ 6. The West European Free Trade Area project and its possible effect on the Commonwealth.

★ 7. Economic consultations.—Reuter.

Indian Loan

Washington, Sept. 9.

The United States today announced that it would make a series of economic development loans to India totalling about $100 million during the next 10 months.—Reuter.

COMMODITY PRICES

RUBBER

NEW YORK

Rex rubber futures today closed 25 to 33 points higher with sales of 38 contracts.

Closing prices:

Sept: 22.90; Nov: 28.00; Jan: 28.00; Mar: 28.60; May: 28.40; July: 28.35; Sept: 28.30.

SINGAPORE

The market opened slightly lower and ruled quiet and featureless throughout the morning.

No. 1 rubber per lb.	Sept.	81¾-81¼
	Oct.	81¾-82
No. 2 rubber per lb.	Sept.	80-80¾
No. 3 ,,	,,	77¼-77¾
No. 4 ,,	,,	72¼-73¼
Spot rubber unbaled		81¼-81¾
Blanket crepe		63-65
No. 1 pale crepe		89½-91½

LONDON

The rubber market was very quiet with spot quoted at 23⅞ pence per lb. Prices:

No. 1 Rss spot	23¾-24
Settlement house term:	
Oct.	23¾-24
Nov.	24-24⅛
Dec.	24-24⅛
Oct/Dec.	24-24⅛
Jan./Mar.	24¼-24⅜
April/June	24⅜-24½
July/Sept.	24⅜-24½
General markets, cif basis, ports:	
Sept.	23¾-23⅞
Oct.	23¾-24
Estate crepe thin Oct.	28⅛
thick Oct.	26⅛

—U.P.I.

COTTON

NEW YORK

Prices of cotton futures closed today as follows:

Spot	30.15 nom.
Oct.	35.30
Dec.	35.70
Mar.	35.13
May	30.30
July	30.10
Oct.	32.02
Dec.	31.93

NEW ORLEANS

Prices of cotton futures closed today as follows:

Spot	35.10
Oct.	35.38
Dec.	35.79
Mar.	30.20
May	30.11
July	34.40
Oct.	32.03
Dec.	31.96

LIVERPOOL

Cotton future closings, in pence per lb. were as follows:

American Contract

Oct./Nov.	23.55
Dec./Jan.	23.55
Mar./Apr.	23.50
May/June	23.48
July/Aug.	23.13

Mixed Contract

Oct./Nov.	23.96
Dec./Jan.	23.95
Mar./Apr.	23.90
May/June	23.65
July/Aug.	22.95

—U.P.I.

METALS

NEW YORK

Prices of metal futures closed today in cents per lb. as follows:

Lead	Sept.	10.15b
	Oct.	10.24b
Zinc	Sept.	9.40b
	Oct.	9.48b
Copper	Sept.	25.20b
	Oct.	25.97b
Tin	Sept.	93.37½b
	Oct.	93.20b

LONDON

Prices of metals closed today in sterling per long ton as follows:

	Buyers	Sellers
Tin		
Spot	720	720¼
3-month	720½	727½
Copper		
Spot	200½	200¾
3-month	200½	200¾
Lead 1st half		
Sept.	70⅞	71
Dec.	72⅛	72¼
Zinc 1st half		
Sept.	65	65¼
Dec.	65⅝	65½

—U.P.I.

SUGAR

New York, Sept. 9.

World No. 4 sugar futures closed today unchanged to two points higher with sales of 187 contracts.

Domestic No. 6 sugar futures closed unchanged to one point lower with sales of 48 contracts.

Contract No. 4 (world)

Oct: 3.47; Jan: 3.53; Mar: 3.45; May: 3.40; Spot-(cents per lb. fob Cuba): 3.49.

Open interest: 8,005 contracts.

Contract No. 6 (domestic)

Nov: 5.83; Mar: 5.63; May: 5.66; July: 5.73; Sept: 5.73; Spot-(cents per lb. cif NY ex-duty): 5.85.

Open interest: 957 contracts.—U.P.I.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE

NEW YORK

Closing rates were:

Canada	1.03-3/32
England official	2.80⅝
,, 30-days	2.80
,, 90-days	2.79⅝
Australia	2.24⅛
New Zealand	2.79⅛
South Africa	2.80⅜
Brazil	.0080
Peru	.0420
Uruguay	.1375

Others unchanged.

London exchange rates were unavailable.—U.P.I.

THE U.S. TREASURY FACES A DILEMMA

New York, Sept. 9.

The Wall Street Journal notes the dilemma to be faced by the U.S. Treasury in future efforts to cover the big national deficit and minimise inflation.

It said that Mr Robert Anderson, the Treasury Secretary, must raise money to finance $12,000 million in "red ink" spending in the fiscal year which began last July 1.

Dwindling

With his cash balance dwindling, he would make a start next month by borrowing at least $3,000 million, and perhaps as much as $8,000 million of new money.

In December, $12,000 million of old debt mature. Next year, Mr Anderson would face the task of re-financing nearly $15,000 million of maturing securities in February, $1,800 million in May, $13,500 million in August, and more later in the year.

All told, the paper said, by the end of 1959 he would have to refinance more than one-third of the U.S. Government's total marketable debt, and sometime before next June 30 he would have to raise whatever cash he needed and did not obtain next month.

The Treasury's coming financing moves seemed likely to aggravate the inflation threat, not ease it. The chief reason was that its offerings seemed likely to consist chiefly of short-term securities.

The Journal added that inflationary investors probably would not be willing to buy — or accept in exchange for maturing securities — any sizeable amount of long-term bonds, except at interest rates higher than the Treasury was willing or able to pay.

A Ceiling

The current law placed a 4¼ per cent ceiling on interest rates the Treasury could pay on securities of more than five years maturing, but there was no such restriction on short-term issues.

The paper noted that heavy offerings of short-term securities tended to encourage inflation, largely because they would go mostly to commercial banks. —China Mail Special.

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Fun And Games In The Children's Ward

This charming picture was taken by a China Mail cameraman this morning during the Governor's tour of Laichikok hospital.

Here the party enjoys a joke as a young Chinese lad, hands outstretched, organises his table of toys. Around the table sit his playmates.

From left to right, Miss Kathryn Black, Dr C. R. Forrest, Superintendent of the hospital, Dr Mackenzie, Director of Medical and Health Services and His Excellency the Governor.

This morning the Governor and Miss Black visited the lower and upper wards of the hospital. They were met on arrival by Dr Forrest and the matron, Miss M. McGibbon.

During his tour, Sir Robert inspected some of the infectious disease wards, tuberculosis wards, the operating theatre, the dispensary, laboratory and X-ray departments.

The lower hospital has 296 beds and has a TB ward for 176 patients.

YOUNGSTERS COULDN'T WAIT FOR CEREMONY TO END

So Buns & Milk Go Out Via The Side Door

Undernourished children were eagerly receiving buns and milk at the side door of the Lutheran World Service Free Milk Bar in West Point this morning while the official opening ceremony was in progress.

The Milk Bar and Distribution Centre on Queen's Road West, near Belcher Street, was one of the five L.W.S. Centres to be opened today by the Rev. L. Stumpf, Director of L.W.S. It serves more than 3,000 families with incomes less than $40 monthly per person.

Mr Robert Wan, Superintendent and Chief Field Officer of L. W. S., conducted the service which preceded the opening ceremony. He referred to passages in Genesis and Revelations relating to God's message that He would provide for His people.

Stores of sweet flour, cornmeal, rice, cotton-seed oil and milk powder were stored on the premises. Nearly 1,000 young people were waiting at the side entrance near to the bake house where a rich dough was being prepared for fresh buns.

A similar service and opening ceremony was held at the North Point Distribution Centre in Tsat Tze Mui Road, where over 1,500 families attend for assistance.

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No 3 STILL UP

The number 3 storm signal is still raised at the Royal Observatory, and a tropical depression is reported 410 miles Southwest of Hongkong, moving WNW at about five knots.

The Royal Observatory announced this morning that showers and thunderstorms are expected to develop later in the afternoon. No rainfall was recorded by the Observatory up to noon.

A tropical storm in the Pacific has now intensified into a typhoon called Helen, and it was last reported moving WNW at 11 knots.

At 9 a.m., its position was given as within 360 miles of Yap.

Theft From Flat

Cash and property were stolen from No. 95B Robinson Road, 4th floor between 7.30 p.m. on Monday and 7.30 a.m. yesterday.

Regular Comet Service To HK In 9 Months

Regular flights of Comet jets will not be using Hongkong's new airport for another nine months, but the British jet will pass through Hongkong on training flights at the end of January, Mr Basil Smallpiece, Managing Director of BOAC said this morning.

BOAC will run a Hongkong-London Comet service four times a week as from May next year, and Mr Smallpiece said they hope gradually to increase this to daily flights.

The first Comet 4, the most-tested British aircraft ever produced, will arrive tomorrow for the opening ceremonies of the new runway at Kai Tak.

Once the BOAC jet and jet-prop plan swings into action, all the piston-engine aircraft will be taken out of service. This should come into effect by mid-1959.

When Hongkong is being regularly served with Comets, BOAC will be able to provide a round-the-world service on jets or jet-prop aircraft.

Linked

Hongkong will then be linked with Honolulu and San Francisco, which will only be 24 hours flying time away, and London, in the opposite direction, only 22-24 hours.

London can also be reached across the North American continent, and it is expected that a passenger can leave Hongkong and be in London in 30 hours.

Commenting on the runway, recently completed at Kai Tak, Mr Smallpiece said "It is certainly a wonderful piece of civil engineering, and the Government and the Department of Civil Aviation must be complimented on their far-sightedness."

However, he added, "I hope the Government can provide a terminal to match the runway as soon as possible."

The BOAC executive said he was last here three years ago, at the time when the tender for the runway had just been let and said it was good to see this enormous project completed in the contracted time.

The opening of the runway, he said, will enable BOAC to fly the Comet into Hongkong, which they would not have been able to do otherwise.

Suspect Detained

The Police have arrested a suspect following the theft of a sum of money from a Chinese pedestrian in Des Voeux Road, Central yesterday afternoon.

In the morning, a wrist watch was snatched from a Chinese woman in Cameron Road.

Black Magic Does Not Help

Kampala, Sept. 9.

Native murderers in Central Africa often resort to black magic in attempts to prevent police from solving their crimes, the annual report of the Uganda Police Department said today.

The report gives an instance where killers buried charms around the body of a strangled woman.

Nearby was a miniature hut containing a figure made of hair, nail-parings and clay. This figure was supposed to bear the full guilt for the killing.

Four men were gaoled for manslaughter despite their precautions.—U.P.I.

STOP PRESS

AIR DROP

Taipei, Sept. 10.

The Nationalists are air dropping supplies to the besieged Quemoy Islands to prevent Communist strangulation of their life lines, the Government disclosed today.

Cargo planes dispatched from Formosa supply bases have been parachuting vitally needed military stocks to the almost blockaded islands off China coast for some time, the Defence Ministry said.—U.P.I.

London, Sept. 10.

China's representative at the Sino-American ambassadorial talks, Mr Wang Ping-nan, left Peking today for Poland after a five-day consultation with his Government, Peking Radio reported.

Mr Wang, who is also the Chinese Ambassador to Poland, is expected to meet his opposite American number Mr Jacob D. Beam, United States Ambassador to Warsaw.—Reuter.

EVERYONE WELCOME

Special Enclosures For Kai Tak Opening

Kai Tak airport will be "at home" to the public of Hongkong on Friday afternoon, for the official opening of the new runway by His Excellency the Governor, Sir Robert Black.

"Everyone is welcome," an official spokesman said this morning.

"Large public enclosures are being provided and commentators will describe the sequence of events over public address systems in all enclosures.

"Full details of the enclosures and how to get there will be published on Friday morning."

Auxiliaries' "Debt To Employers"

Auxiliary Policemen must not forget to acknowledge the debt "owed to your employers for allowing you time off to attend camps", Mr Lee Iu-cheung said this morning at a passing out parade of four squads of non-Chinese Auxiliaries at Aberdeen.

"The magnitude of your employers' sacrifice in sparing you from your regular occupations for a week or ten days every so often is always appreciated and is not taken for granted," he said.

The parade was under the command of Mr Ramong Young, Assistant Superintendent of Police (Reserves).

Mr Lee, who later took the salute, told the Auxiliaries: "The standard of every operation I have observed today would be a credit to a professional force and when it is remembered that you are all Auxiliaries, your accomplishments are all the more praiseworthy.

"No praise I can give can be too great for you young men who sacrifice your leisure time to keeping fit and training for service to your fellow citizens. This surely is the highest form of civic spirit and the community owes you a very real debt."

Children Hurt In Accidents

Two boys and a girl were injured in separate traffic accidents in Hongkong and Kowloon yesterday. They are all receiving treatment in hospital.

One of the lads, 13-year-old Yue Ka-wing, whose address is not yet known, was knocked down by a commercial van outside No. 60, Lai Chi Kok Road. The other boy, eight-year-old Ma Yui-man of No. 135, Third Street, 2nd floor, was knocked down by a private car outside No. 220, Queen's Road, West.

The girl, Li Sik-har, aged 7, of No. 30 Shelley Street, 1st floor, was knocked down by a private car in Hollywood Road, near the junction of Shelley Street.

WOMAN IS BOUND OVER FOR THEFT OF WATCH

Pleading that she had stolen a watch in a moment of temptation, a 20-year-old woman, Lai Yin-ming, was cautioned and bound over in $250 for two years by Mr Hin-shing Lo at Central this morning.

Lai admitted having stolen the watch, valued at $60, from the house of her fellow worker at 20 Peel Street, first floor, on Monday.

The watch, belonging to Chan Ho, mother of the defendant's fellow worker, was returned to the owner.

Vehicles Thefts

A bath towel was stolen from a private car parked outside Union Church in Jordan Road yesterday. In another case, property was stolen from a lorry parked outside No. 227, Sai Yee Street.

ON A TRIP AROUND THE WORLD

Above is eighteen-year-old Sharon Drysdale who comes from Canada.

Reason for her presence today in Hongkong: she was judged the most outstanding student in a forum conducted by a Washington radio station. Her first prize was a round-the-world trip.

She left Vancouver on Sept. 5 for Seattle, then Honolulu and Tokyo by Pan American.

She stays in Hongkong for one day at the Astor Hotel (by courtesy of the Hongkong Lions Club, the Hotel and Pan American) and she leaves for Bangkok tomorrow to continue her trip.

She arrives back in Vancouver on September 24.

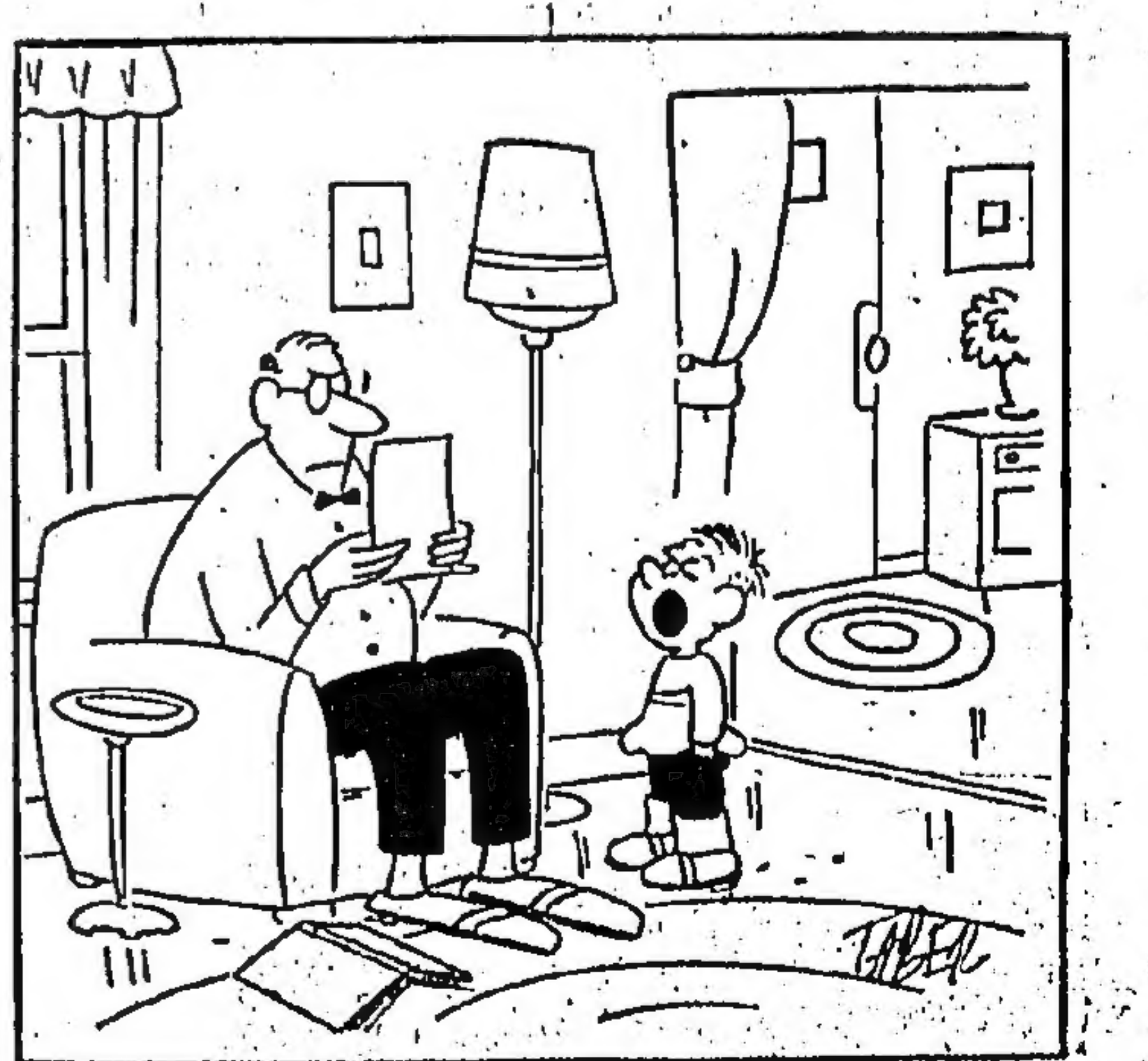
She was met on arrival today by Mr and Mrs Nelson H. Leo of the Lions Club, Mr Ginard Lao and Mr Richard Sun of Pan American.

Churchill Tank Arrives

An Army "Churchill" armoured recovery vehicle tank was unloaded from the British vessel Bendoran at Kowloon Wharf this morning.

The tank is used for recovering vehicles which have been broken down. It was sent from England to be stationed here.

This Funny World



"My teacher fell down on the job. I flunked."

From the Files 25 years AGO

BIRD'S Eye View: Correspondent objects to citizens of the United States being called Americans. But what are well to call them? United Statistics?

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Kowloon's so-called coal dump will not be in evidence after October 5 when the permit granted the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha to store coal at Blackhead Point terminates. Soon after the protests by residents in the neighbourhood were voiced, notice was served on the company that they were to vacate the area.

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THE betrothal of King Ghazi, now King of Iraq, to his cousin, Princess Aliyah, a daughter of the former King Ali of the Hedjaz, was celebrated at the Palace last night in the presence of members of the Cabinet. Political reasons are believed to be responsible for the betrothal so soon after King Feisal's death. King Ghazi is only 21 years of age. He was educated at Harrow.

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"Colonial" in Old Hongkong writes: "I am indebted to a reader for an interesting contribution to this column in the form of a bronze token issued about 50 years ago by the Hongkong Hotel. The inscription implies it was good for "one drink", not specified, and leaving the modern historian wondering what range that description covered—from water to champagne. But it probably served for nothing stronger, most of the time, than aerated water, as I find that the explanation for issuing this coinage runs as follows.

"In the old days, when the Hongkong Hotel did outside catering at interport cricket matches, regattas and so forth, these tokens were sold to patrons at the price, each, of a drink in those days. Presumably there was a definite unit value for each coin. With a handful of these tokens patrons could secure their drinks quickly, as the giving of change was avoided. It also simplified matters for the hotel, as the boys had only to account for the number of drinks sold by producing the same number of coins. The last occasion on which these tokens were used was in 1908, but 40 or 50 years ago they were often in use at special occasions."

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IT appears that President Roosevelt may decided to recognise the Bolshevik regime in Russia and thus take the necessary step towards resuming trade relations with the Soviets which American industry so greatly desires.

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The recent heavy downpours have further replenished the Colony's reservoirs and further modication of the water supply restrictions may be anticipated

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